

Year 3 Gryffindor Newsletter



Welcome...

to the Year 3 Grove Newsletter. We hope that you have a lovely Easter!

We are really looking forward to continuing to work with your child in the summer term. The children thoroughly enjoyed their Stone Age topic and we're certain that they will thrive this term as well! Our summer term topic is Wild at Heart wherein we will explore African culture including music, artwork, religion and much more!



<u>PE</u> Timetable

Children should wear their navy Grove tracksuit and trainers on PE days.

All children must participate in PE lessons unless there is a medical reason, for which a doctors note is required.

Year 3 PE days are as follows:

GJ: Monday

AT: Tuesday

AF: Wednesday

SH: Thursday

Curriculum Coverage

The children will be studying the following topics over the next term:

English: We will be reading 'Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters', an African traditional tale that closely resembles the story of Cinderella. Children will write their own traditional tales, a persuasive text about fair trade products and produce an advert for a product.

Maths: We will be learning to use fractions, identify and classify shapes and we will also investigate the different ways of measuring.

Science: We will be beginning our plants topic, wherein the children will study the life cycle of flowering plants. The children will also have the opportunity to plant their own sunflower and watch it grow.

<u>Computing</u> We will learn how to access the internet safely.

<u>History:</u> We will be exploring the history of African culture including the Massa tribe.

<u>Geography:</u> In geography, children will plot countries within Africa onto a map and identify the different climates.

<u>Art:</u> Our focus in Art will be upon the famous African Artist, Joseph Thiongo and his watercolour paintings.

<u>D&T:</u> We will be designing and evaluating a fair trade chocolate wrapper.

<u>PSHE:</u> We will be learning the fundamental skills to be good friends and to maintain healthy relationships.

RE: We will be exploring the religions of Africa. **Music:** We will be composing an African piece of music using traditional African instruments.

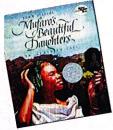
<u>PE:</u> We will be developing our fundamental skills such as throwing, running and jumping in preparation for Sports Day.

French: We will be learning to describe ourselves in French.

BREAKING NEWS

This half term, we are so excited to share that we will be reading "Mufaro's Beautiful daughters", an African traditional tale. This is similar to the well-known story of Cinderella.

We are sure you will find it very interesting!



We need your help at home!

In order to prepare for the times table testing that comes into effect next year for our current Year 3s, we would like you to practise with your children their 4, 6 and 8 times tables including giving them lots of opportunities to access Times Table Rockstars. As well as this, please continue to read with your child daily and support them with their weekly homework.

Thank you

If you have any questions or concerns during the year please let us know immediately in order for us to deal with the matter. Whilst it can be difficult for us to talk to parents/carers before school due to having to bring in the children, we are usually available after school to discuss any concerns by appointment. In order for this to take place, please send a note via your child's communication diary which will be checked daily.

Many Thanks

Mrs Tomkins, Miss James, Miss Fryer, Miss Horton.

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