

### English

In English we will be reading our Power of Reading text 'I was a rat or Scarlett slippers.' Our written work will focus upon developing descriptive vocabulary, setting and character descriptions and narratives and non-fiction. We will continue to develop our knowledge of Year 3 grammar and punctuation. The Year 2 common exception words will again be revisited and revised, according to each child's needs and year 3/4 words will continue to be learned, these words are in homework books if you wish to practise spellings with your child at home. During all lessons, we will continue to focus on a high standard of presentation, including joined handwriting.

### Reading

Please continue to share the love of books with your child. Encourage them to read/share books 5 times per week. This can be recorded on one page per week of the Reading Record. Reads will be counted every Friday. Reading should be a delightful experience and we encourage you to revisit and reread favourite books and stories.

Happy readers become confident readers.

### Our PE Days

Our PE afternoon will be **Wednesday**. Please ensure that children have a full outdoor and indoor PE kit in school all week. Long hair should be tied back and earrings removed as outlined in the school's uniform policy on our website.

### Curriculum - Geography

This half term in Year 3, our Geography focus enquiry question will be,

**'Why do people live in dangerous places?'**

We shall explore and investigate volcanoes and Earthquakes and how they impact on the habitats that surround them. We shall discover a variety of volcanoes and how they are formed relating to how the Earth is formed.

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### Learning Outcome

At the end of this half term, children will present their knowledge by undertaking a case study about a volcano.

### Homework

Each week the children will be given a portion of their knowledge organiser to learn. A quiz will take place on a Friday afternoon each week. As usual any work can be included in the homework books. Remember that any pupil led ideas and work are welcomed and celebrated. Look out for Spelling Shed and Maths Shed passwords and information will follow shortly.

### Maths

In **Year 3** this term we will continue to work on addition and subtraction and consolidate our understanding of place value as well as further developing our problem solving skills. Fluent recall of number bonds and how these can be applied during our lessons.

Please continue to support your child to practise their recall of all times tables. We will be using TT Rockstars to aid this and your child will be working through a weekly plan. The ability to recall these facts more confidently would be hugely beneficial for your child in their Maths lessons.

### Science

This half term Year 3 will continue to learn about 'Forces and Magnets'. We will identify, compare and classify different materials depending on the magnetism and also the resistance of some materials/objects when a force is placed upon them.

### Wider Curriculum

RE -Has Christmas lost its true meaning?

ICT - Word processing.

PHSE - Celebrating differences.

Music - Ho Ho Ho, Christmas bog band, Motown Elvis.

PE - Dance-interpretive dance Athletics-Indoor.

Christmas performance- Carol singing