

Year 3 Newsletter

Middleton Parish Church School

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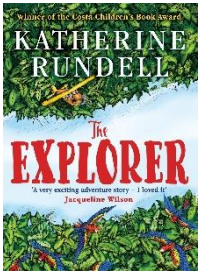
English

Reading

This half term in Reading, we are going to be reading a variety of different texts, answering a range of comprehension questions with a focus on authorial intent.

Writing

In Writing, we will be using the story *The Explorer* as a stimulus for writing our own newspaper report. We will also be writing a non-chronological report about the Amazon Rainforest.



Reading

Class Novel

This half term we will be reading *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell.

'When their plane crashes, four children are stranded in the Amazon jungle.

Now they have to survive alone.

But was someone there before them?'

GORead!

Children will continue to select books from our class library, with the guidance of the teaching team. This book, along with their vocabulary book, should come into school and back home each day to maximise reading opportunities.

Should children have a home reading book they would like to read, please send it into school for teachers to check it provides enough challenge to support progression in reading – teachers will then add this book to GORead.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GORead in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words/new vocabulary can be added on go read alongside in vocabulary books.



Outdoor Shoes

To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag. These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.



Science

Our science topic this term is 'Forces and Magnets.' We will be learning about how objects move and comparing how objects move on different surfaces. We will also be observing how magnets attract and repel, and begin to compare and group everyday materials based on whether they are magnetic or non-magnetic.



Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Miss Noon, please do not hesitate to send an email.

The class email address is

year3@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is

office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional well-being and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

EandI@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Geography

This half term we are learning all about the world. We will be developing our geographical knowledge by locating the world's countries using maps, identifying human and physical characteristics and learning the position and significance of global features including longitude, latitude and the equator.



P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School is on a Wednesday for Year 3. Our P.E. unit this half term is called 'Dance Around the World!' Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Wednesday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag.

PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Don't Hold on to What's Wrong!' We will be exploring the importance of forgiveness and reflecting on ways we can erase negative emotions.



Religious Education

In R.E. our topic is 'Exploring the Sadness and Joy of Easter.' In this unit, we will explore the Easter story from the angle of the feelings evoked by the different events throughout Holy Week. We will discover how the services held in churches during Holy week reflect the sadness and joy and develop our understanding of the concept of salvation.



Maths

The first unit this half term is money- why not start getting your children involved in the shopping each week; how much will we spend? Will there be any change?

We will then move on to statistics- we will recap how to make tally charts and how we draw and interpret pictograms before moving on to reading and interpreting data from bar charts and tables.

Please ensure children are logging on to TTRS at least once a week to help consolidate the 3s, 4s and 8 times tables that children are expected to know by the end of Year 3.

