

Year 3 Newsletter

Middleton Parish Church School

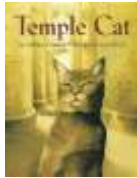
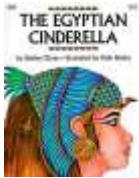
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English Reading

This half term in reading, we will be approaching reading in a different way. With every new text, we will begin by orientating ourselves to the text and really getting to know it, before focusing on a different reading skill each day to develop these skills over the weeks and year.

Writing

In Writing, we will be using the story The Egyptian Cinderella as a stimulus for writing our own narrative. We will then focus on writing a letter based around the story 'Temple Cat.'



Reading Class Novel

This half term we will be reading The Ancient Egypt Sleepover by Stephen Davies.
'Mo has won a very special prize, an Ancient Egypt sleepover in a museum. But he has no clue how dangerous it will be...'



Reading and Homework

As shared on Dojo, homework will be sent out each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Tasks will take the children no longer than ten minutes and must be completed each night and returned the next day to help support our learning in class.

Children will continue to select books from our class library, with the guidance of the teaching team. This book should come into school and back home **EVERY DAY** to maximise reading opportunities.

Please do make sure that you're logging your child's reading on Boom Reader (formerly GORead).

Please ensure your child is learning their spellings at home so they are prepared for their weekly spelling check.



Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you to all parents who ensure that their children are at school on time every day. The gates are open at **8.40-8.50** in the mornings and **3.20-3.30** in the afternoon.



Science

Our science topic this term is 'Light'. We will explore the importance of light, understand how light is reflected from surfaces, explore how shadows are formed, and learn how to protect our eyes from light from the sun.



Important Dates

Thursday 5th Jan – Welcome to the Prayer Space
Tuesday 10th Jan – Prayer Walk
Wednesday 1st February – Year 3 Class Assemblies
Tuesday 7th Feb – Prayer Experience
Tuesday 14th Feb – Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 15th Feb – Parents Evening
Friday 17th Feb – Finish for Half Term (normal time)
Monday 27th Feb – Return to school

Contacting Us

If you need to talk to a member of the Year 3 team, 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.

History

This half term, we are exploring Ancient Egypt through our topic 'What is a pyramid?' Children will develop their skills of chronology throughout this unit, along with learning about Ancient Egyptian society, Gods and Goddesses, mummification, pyramids, and hieroglyphics. Children will compare and understand the impact of the Ancient Egyptians on modern life.



P.E and Forest School

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

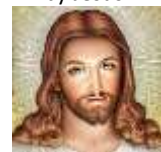
PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Too Much Selfie Isn't Healthy!' We will be exploring the importance of others and how to love them well.



Religious Education

In R.E. our topic is 'Jesus, the man who changed lives.' In this unit, we will explore how as Christians, we believe that Jesus has the power to change people's lives. We will understand that choosing to follow Jesus is not an easy option, and explore how people's lives today are transformed by Jesus.



Maths

To start the half term, we will continue to explore multiplication and division, with a focus on multiplying and dividing 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers, with and without an exchange. We will then begin to learn about length and perimeter, with a focus on measuring in metres, centimetres and millimetres.

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.

