

Rushey Green Primary School

Year 3 Class Newsletter - Spring 2 2021

Welcome to the Spring Term 2. Our concept this term will be 'Our Global Community' where the children will learn about the world around us and how the actions of people affected our world. Our theme is 'Survival'. The 'Big Question' is "Could you survive the Stone Age? Our Sustainable Development Goal focus is Climate Action. To take urgent action to combat climate change and its impact. Events to look forward to are 'World Book Day', 'International Women's Day' and 'Science Week'. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to discuss this with a member of the team.

Thank you,
The Year 3 Team

The Year 3 authors of the month are Tom McLaughlin, John Steptoe and Andy Shepherd.

Term 2

- In English, our core book is 'Ug: A boy genius of the Stone Age'. The children will be exploring Story writing, Discussion texts and Non-Chronological Reports.
- In Destination Reader, when school re-opens we will be reading 'Flat Stanley', 'Diary of a Killer Cat' and 'The No.1 Car Spotter'.
- In Maths our focus Fractions. The children will recap on how to make equal parts, recognise a half, find a quarter, recognise a third, find a third and recap on unit fractions.
- In Science we are studying Light. The children will learn that we need light to see and they will notice that light is reflected from surfaces. They will recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by a solid object.
- In History, the children will be focusing on the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages. We will explore 'Who first lived in Britain?'
- In R.E we will be exploring Sikhism - Teachings and Authority.
- In DT our focus is Electronics. The children will design and make a simple torch and a switch in a picture.
- PE, this term, when we return to school, will be Gymnastics.
- PHSE will focus on 'Healthy Me'.
- MFL Our focus in modern foreign languages is Spanish. The children will be designing a monster.

Start and End times to the day

During Lockdown, the school day will start online at 9am until 10:45, for Live Lessons, We will meet online again at 3:00 - 3:30pm.

When we return to school, the following information will apply:

The school day starts at **8.45** am. This allows for a 15-minute registration time so that lessons can begin promptly at 9.00 am. It is extremely important that your child attends school on time and **every day**. Children arriving late can be unsettling not just for your child, but the entire class.

In addition, it is important that you collect your child on time (3.15 pm) as this ensures the staff have time to prepare the class and resources for the next day.

Homework

The children are given spellings on a weekly basis to learn, this can be accessed on Purple Mash. Please encourage your child to practise these spellings, understand the meaning of the words and practise using them in sentences.

Your child should be reading everyday and should be reading a combination of fiction and non-fiction.

For Maths the children have access to Purple Mash and Times-table Rockstar. It is expected that they continue to practise their times tables regularly.

Homework will resume when we return to school and will include spellings, times tables and half termly projects. We may also provide catch-up and revision work.

Water bottles

This will apply, when we return to school. Please ensure you send your child to school everyday with a named reusable water bottle, not the single use plastic ones. These bottles must only contain water, no juice or fizzy drinks please. Children will not have access to water fountains during this current time.



PE

The children will continue to do P.E. online with Joe Wicks, until we return to school.

Please remember to send your child to school in their school uniform with their PE kit in a named bag. Please also ensure that all items of clothing are named as we are then able to return any items if they become lost. Thank you.

