

Class News Monday 20th June 2022

Year 3

- Thank you for your support regarding the arrangements for the concert at the Hexagon. It was lovely to see their faces when the orchestra struck up for the first time and we had an amazing day.
- Children can sign up for small group or individual lessons in a Woodwind or Brass Instrument for Year 4. It isn't too late to have a woodwind trial; do contact Miss Rennie on the email she gave in the letter to let her know you are interested.
- Miss Gray will also be demonstrating some other members of the Brass family and it will be possible for those who are interested to try them too.
- We will be taking part in an Ultimate Frisbee competition on Stovell field on 28th June from 1-3pm and Quad Kids (Athletics) on 12th July (also Stovell Field 1-3pm). We'd be very grateful for some willing volunteers to help us, please email me to let me know if you could help.
- Colour spellings: if your child passed the level they will be tested on the new words in the week beginning 5th July. If not, then we will have another go at their words next week

Maths – In Maths this week we will be revising what we have already done in time this year before moving on to the 24hour clock.

Please help your child to use TTrackstars for a few minutes every day to consolidate their tables knowledge. There are many online free resources such as hit the button but this is a link to the very popular BBC supermover times table songs which may be helpful:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/times-table-collection/z4vv6v4>

English – We are starting to plan our own piece of persuasive writing and will be trying to include all the features we have noticed in our investigations into different kinds of persuasive writing from letters to leaflets.

Spellings - This week the spelling patterns that we will look at are:

- Adding the suffix –ous where there is an /i:/ sound before the –ous ending, it is usually spelt as i, but a few words have e. Colour spellings have been updated and new sheets sent home. The test will be during the week beginning 6th June.

Foundation subjects – In PSHE we will start our final unit which includes the new SRE teaching. Please see our website for this policy if you are interested. We will be looking at the differences between girls and boys and will be using scientific words (or words that a doctor would use) to name some body parts. In Science we are moving onto our final unit which is all about plants. In

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RE we will be looking at the important Sikh festivals and how they are celebrated. In computing we be looking at using email. This week in DT we will start our sewing project which is to design and make a small bag or purse. In French the children will be working on the unit about animals and pets.

Homework

Spellings: spellings are in the red folder and will come home on Friday. They are tested on the following Friday. These are the weekly spellings based on common patterns found in words. Colour spellings will be tested after the half term break.

Times tables:

20 minutes of TTRockstars is the minimum number of games that should be played each week. The session runs from 8.30am on Friday mornings to the following Friday morning. Your child may also be given a sheet of tables or other work to complete. Do let me know if you are having trouble logging in. Times table flash cards have also been provided to help with learning the tables facts.

We are going to be looking at multiplication and division so times tables recall is very important. Please try to find time every day to work on these facts. By the end of Year 3 children are expected to know 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x and 10x tables and the associated division facts.

Reading:

Reading a variety of genres is very important and we are encouraging them to select from both fiction and non-fiction sections of their book band. When they move up a level, an advice sheet on how to help your child is sent home. It helps their comprehension if you can talk with them about what they are reading. Questions about what they think will happen next or why a character feels like this are good places to start. Children should be encouraged to give a reason (based on what they have read in the text) to support their opinion.

Bug Club is available via the Activelearn login and I have recently updated the book bands again. Reading from Bug Club a couple of times a week and using the comprehension quizzes would be a great way to boost your child's comprehension ability. There are comprehension quizzes attached to the books by clicking on the symbols on each page of the book.

Do get in touch via my email or the Office if I can be of further help.

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