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Class News Monday 25th April 2022

Year 3

Welcome back; I hope you have all had a lovely break. We were lucky with the weather – I've enjoyed seeing spring properly get going on some warmer dog walks!

Maths – In Maths this week we will be working on multiplication starting with revising doubling and halving before moving on to more formal written methods including the 'grid method'. I will post a video on the Abacus platform so that you can see how it works.

English – We will be looking at writing play scripts over the next three weeks. We will start by reading play scripts and comparing them to prose. We will look at the key features before practising aspects of play writing.

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

- **Prefix auto-**
- **The /k/sound spelt ch**

Foundation subjects – In PSHE we will start the next unit which is about relationships: we will be looking at understanding friendship, family and other relationships, conflict resolution and communication skills. In Science we will be continuing our topic of rocks and we will be investigating the properties of rocks and what we can use them for. In RE we will consider Good Friday and what is good about it. In computing we will move onto using spreadsheets. This week in Art we will revise observational drawing and the techniques we have learned this year.

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 were tested at the end of last term and new spelling lists will be given out this week if they knew the words otherwise we will re-test at the start of next week.

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

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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. 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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