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Class News Monday 28th February 2022

Year 3

- **The whole class will be taking part in a Tag Rugby Festival on the Home Park Public pitches on March 3rd. If you haven't returned the reply slip, please do so as soon as possible – or email your reply. Children will need their full PE kits including navy tracksuit bottoms as well as a warm and waterproof coat.**
- **I have a few spaces left for the concert at the Hexagon in Reading on (probably) Thursday June 16th. Please reply either using the slip or by emailing me – it would help if you could let me know even if you do not want a space.**

Maths – In Maths this week we are going to have another look at fractions. We will revise what we did last term first as many were away with Covid and then hopefully progress to looking at equivalent fractions.

English – We will be working on writing non-fiction reports for the next four weeks. We also have the Shakespeare focus over the next week leading up to the performance in school from the Shakespeare Theatre Company next Monday. I have now seen two brilliant workshops from this group and I am very much looking forward to introducing Year 3 to the group next week; I know they will enjoy it. We will be tying in our work on Shakespeare into our non-fiction report focus. Firstly, we will look at key features of non-fiction reports and how to take notes to record information.

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

- Homophones – children will need to know the correct meanings as I will read a sentence during the test and they will need to write the correct spelling of the word.
- We will also be testing the latest Star colour spellings lists this week.

Foundation – We will continue our look at the physical features including the climate in South America. In PSHE we will be starting a new unit. We will be looking at muscles in Science. In RE we will be looking at some more of Jesus' miracles and will be using drama to tell the stories.

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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.

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.

The 'Hit-the-button' website is a great place to practise number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 – these are key facts for children to have a fast and accurate recall of. Doubling and halving and times tables can also be practised on this site.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

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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