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## Class News Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021

### Year 3

#### Art

**We are going to be painting in the next few weeks and I'd like to avoid painting our uniform so it would be great if you have an old, large shirt or T shirt or an apron/overall that your child could bring to school next week to help protect their uniform. If you could name it that would be much appreciated!**

**Maths** – In Maths this week we are continuing to revise the understanding and use of the place value and number facts in mental addition and subtraction. We will also look at writing numbers using letters and digits and will be working on strategies to add and subtract 1, 10 and 100, and multiples of 10 and 100, to 2-digit and 3-digit numbers.

**English** – This week we will be continuing our work on writing a set of instructions. We will also be revising '-oy' and '-ir' phonic sounds. Our grammar focus is different types of sentences.

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

- The sound /n/ spelt 'kn' and 'gn' at the start of words
- The sound spelt 'i' in common exception words

**Foundation** – Trombone lessons will continue on Thursday and we will be welcoming Mr Manners for a singing session on Monday afternoons. In Geography we are learning about rainforests and having looked at where rainforests can be found last week, this week we will look at the different layers of a rainforest. Our Art lesson will be based on using the new pencil shading techniques we learned last lesson to draw a still life picture. In PE we are looking forward to our dance session provided by the Windsor Sports Partnership and 4Motion. Mr Hawkes will be taking our PE session on Friday. In RE we are focussing on the Sikh religion and the Amrit ceremony. In Science we will continue our learning about light. We will be looking at what we need to see and which is the shiniest object and why.

#### Homework

Spellings will come home on Friday and will be tested the following Friday. These are the weekly spellings based on a common pattern found in words.

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Children also need to practise their colour spelling list which has already been sent home. These will be tested in the week beginning October 11th.

Phonic sound revision: this week we are revising the sounds -oy (royal) and -ir (skirt). A login for espresso education is being sent home. I will add some phonic games that can be played to help with recognising these sounds.

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 to complete. Do let me know if you are having trouble logging in.

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>

Some children will also find worksheets to practise number bonds in their homework folders.

Reading:

Reading books and a reading record book have been sent home. Please help your child to record their reading in it and sign each session. Golden points will be awarded to children reading every day.

Music: You should have received an email with details of the trombone lessons and how to pay for them. Please do get in touch if you have any questions. The trombones will be sent home in a few weeks when the children are confident in how to put them together.

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

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