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Class News Monday 2nd May 2022

Year 3

Hexagon Concert 16/6/2022 A letter about the arrangements for this has been sent out. Tickets are not on sale yet; I will let you know as soon as I have this information. You do not need a packed lunch for the rehearsal day (Thursday) this week; we will be having early lunch.

Pencil cases and coats Please ensure your child brings a coat to school. The weather is unpredictable and we often want to learn outside. We also try to get out for play even if it is raining. Many pencil cases are lacking crucial items such as pencils, whiteboard pens and glue sticks. Please could you send in some supplies if you didn't stock up over the Easter holiday.

• Enjoy the Bank Holiday!

Maths – In Maths this week we will be continuing to practice multiplying using the grid method and we will then move on to dividing. I can't emphasise enough how much easier it is for the children to learn these new written processes if they have good recall of their times table facts. Please help your child to use TTrockstars for a few minutes every day to consolidate their 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: <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/times-table-collection/z4vv6v4</u>

English – We are continuing to work on writing play scripts. We have looked at the differences between play scripts and fiction writing and are starting to practise setting out the spoken words in the style of a play script. This week we will do some acting and try writing an introduction to set the scene and some stage directions for our plays.

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

• Revision of suffixes -ful, -ed, -ing

Foundation subjects – In PSHE we will continue our work on the relationships topic which starts with taking responsibility for various roles and jobs at home and at school. In Science we will be continuing our topic of rocks and we will looking at the different types of rocks. In RE we will complete our look at the question 'What is good about Good Friday' for Christians. In computing we will continue our work on using spreadsheets to perform simple calculations. This week in Art we will start a unit on sculpture. In French the children will be starting a new unit on animals and pets.

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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. 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 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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