

Year 3 Information Summer Term 1 - 2019











Reading is Important

As well as having our 'class reader', pupils have opportunities to take home a book of their choosing to read for pleasure from the book corner, and a book with a coloured label on the spine which denotes our reading level. These books must be kept in their reading bag or book folder and brought in every day.

It is very important that your child brings in their book every day as we often provide opportunities to read in class. Please ensure your child's book is returned every Friday as this is the day that pupils change their book.

Please take time to listen to your child read each day and talk to them about their book. They need to understand what they are reading – not just be able to read the words.

Try taking your child to the local library, it's free to join and borrow books.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club takes place every day in the KS2 Hall from 8am to 9am at a cost of £2 per day. Call at the school office to arrange a place for your child.

Home learning

Times tables and weekly spellings will be sent home and tested weekly at school. These need to be practised each night so that your child is fully prepared.

It would also be very helpful if you could teach your child to tie their shoelaces, tell the time and practise basic addition and subtraction through money when paying for items in a shop. This will help your child to connect the strategies that they have learnt in school with real life situations.

Need to talk to your child's teacher?

Remember - you don't need to wait until Parents' Evenings to talk to your child's class teacher. Messages or information can be shared when you drop off /collect your child. If you need a conversation, make an appointment your child's teacher will normally see you on the same day.

Dates for the diary	
Thursday 23 rd May	School is closed for Polling Day
Friday 24 th May	Last day of half-term
Half-term holiday – Monday 27th – Friday 31st May	
Monday 3 rd June	Children return to school

Reminders

- 3M and 3C pupils will be having a PE lesson on Wednesdays and Thursdays; 3S have on their lessons on Thursdays and Fridays.
- Please make sure they have their P.E. kits including trainers/plimsolls with them on these days and that it is not worn under their uniform. Jewellery must not be worn at school except for stud earrings which must be removed or covered with plasters for P.E.
- Please ensure ALL of your child's clothing and shoes are labelled with their name. It is your child's responsibility to keep their belongings safe.
- Remember school starts at 9.00am don't be late! You can come into school for the soft start at 8.50am.
- Pupils may bring a bottle of water to drink during the day.
- Please make sure that your child is wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions (hat, sun-cream etc.)

Educational Visits

Year 3 are visiting Epping Forest and the Tower of London this term



Year 3 Summer term 1

RE

Sikh Sayings

In this unit pupils will find out about 6 main Sikh symbols and their meaning to Sikh people. They will also find out about the Sikh holy book – the Guru Granth Sahib, and how sayings from this impact the lives of Sikh people today.

Music

Children will learn to sing a variety of songs, concentrating on pitch and rhythm.

SCIENCE

Plants

Children will identify and describe the function of parts of plants such as the roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers. They will explore the requirements for life and growth and investigate the way water is transported.

They will explore the life cycle of plants including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.

COMPUTING

Word Processing

Using topics from the curriculum, children to use Microsoft Word to gain confidence in word processing. This will enable children to not only develop their understand of Microsoft Word but also develop their keyboard skills.

HISTORY

Tower of London

Children will develop an understanding of how the Tower of London has changed over time, what was there before it and what is there now. They will develop a perspective of change over time that can then be applied in later years to other topics. They will also learn about its rich history and mythology including the legend of the Ravens and the missing princes who disappeared under Richard the IIIs reign.

DT

Mechanisms

The students in Year 3 will continue to investigate mechanisms that produce movement. This half term, they will make a jumping jack bug puppet.

FRENCH

Food and Days of the Week

Children's knowledge of food will be extended while using the 'Very Hungry Caterpillar' as a stimulus. They will also learn the days of the week. They will have the opportunity to apply their knowledge to writing their own book in French.

PE

Tennis

Children will be able to select and use the most appropriate skills and move and use actions with coordination and control

Athletics

Children will be able to use different techniques, speeds and vary their effort to meet challenges set for running, jumping and throwing. They will use running, jumping, throwing and catching in isolation and in combination and run consistently and smoothly at different speeds. They will also dempnastate different combinations of jumps, showing control, coordination and consistency and also throw a range of implements into a target are with consistency and accuracy.