



Year Three Newsletter

Spring 2016



Welcome back to the start of the term! Please find below an outline of the Year 3 learning journey for this term.

English



Our first English topic this term is linked to the text 'The Heart and the Bottle.' The children will be writing about the characters, sequencing the story and discussing the themes of the book. This will lead to them planning, writing and publishing their own story on a similar theme. The class will also be looking at information texts linked to our topic The Roman Empire.

Handwriting is still very important, please help your child to use their neatest writing in their homework. When reading with your child please talk about what has been read to check understanding. **A commitment of 15 minutes per evening spent on reading will make all the difference to your child's progress.**



Maths

During Maths this term the children will be learning the expanded column method (the method most of us learnt at school). The children will be continuing their work on problem solving, investigations and working systematically to find a solution to a problem. The focus this half term is on securing place value and strategies for multiplication and division, Children should continue to practise their times tables x2, x3, x4, x5 x6 and x10.

Foundation Subjects

In History we will be finding out about The Roman Empire, which is our main topic this term . The Roman topic will be covered in Art (making Roman mosaics) , English (recounting key battles) and ICT (putting Roman numerals into tables). Additionally, during ICT lessons the children will be learning about internet safety.

Homework



Homework is set on Fridays and will consist of spellings, times tables and a Maths or English task. Spellings will be tested every Friday. Please read daily with your child and help them to practise their times tables.

PE is every **Tuesday and Wednesday**. Please ensure your child has their full kit in school from Monday to Friday — as you never know what fun activities might come up!

