

YEAR 3 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER SUMMER 1

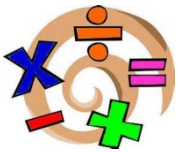
Thank you for what was an excellent last half term! The children have been working really hard and have made great progress. We are now looking forward to continuing to celebrate their achievements throughout Summer 1!

The Year 3 Team

Topic- Our topic for this half term is **Conservation and Our Local Area**. This is an exciting new geography topic that allows us to gain a number of new skills, which will build upon those already acquired this year. In particular, map work, research and investigation and fieldwork, when we will research, plan and go out to study our local environment: exploring our community with a conservation focus.



English - We will begin this half term by focusing on non-fiction texts, particularly explanation and instruction texts. We will explore the various literacy devices needed to organise, present and deliver each text type, from paragraphing, causal conjunctions and adverbials of time and manner to headings, sub-headings, diagrams and captions. The children will take every opportunity to consolidate their prior learning and improve their skills in proof-reading and editing.



Maths- Our focus for this half term will be measure (length and perimeter), fractions and money, developing our fluency skills and applying them to reasons and solve problems. All throughout, we will continue to practice our times tables and number facts in preparation for Year 4.

Science- We will be continuing the topic of *Plants*. In this unit, the children explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, nutrients from soil and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant. They investigate the ways in which water is transported within plants and explore the role of flowers in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.



PE

Wednesdays - Swimming



Please ensure children bring in their swimming kit each week.

Suitable swimming kit - Swimming trunks (boys) or one-piece bathing suit (girls)

Swimming hat for both boys & girls

Towel

Tuesdays - Athletics



Please ensure children bring in their PE kit each week.

A kit should include: trainers, socks, a t-shirt, shorts/joggers and a jumper.