



Welcome to Class 3's Autumn Newsletter

I hope that you have all had a lovely holiday and are ready to start the new school year. This newsletter will hopefully cover any questions that you may have about your child's new class, but if there is anything else you would like to know please contact Mr Vincent or the school office. Our class story on class dojo, which you can access, will be regularly updated with blogs and photos.

Weekly diary

Monday	- P.E. kits needed (Coach to deliver lesson)
Tuesday	- Homework to be returned to school
Wednesday	
Thursday	- PE kits needed/Homework to be given out.
Friday	- Spellings to be returned to school - New spellings go home - Library day

Literacy

We will begin this year by reading 'The Hodgeheg' by Dick King-Smith and basing a lot of our work in Literacy around the book. Our pieces of writing will include: writing newspaper reports, adapted stories, non-chronological reports and writing instructions. Throughout the term, we will also continue to focus on developing the children's understanding of English grammar, punctuation and spelling. Most of the children's homework will be based on one of these areas.

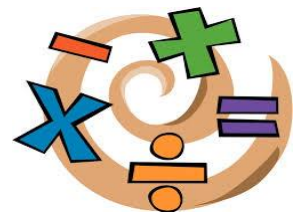
Reading



This term we will be developing our understanding of texts we have read. In order to support your child's reading at home, they will be given the opportunity to bring a library book home on a Friday. In addition to this, your child will also have their reading book to read at home. Please try to listen to your child read their book as often as possible and leave a comment in their reading record. **Reading folders need to be in school every day.**

Numeracy

We will begin this term by developing our knowledge of number. We will be revisiting all aspects of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division while also covering how to present questions using the formal written methods. Other areas will include: the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, fractions, time and measurement.



Other subjects

This term our class will be covering Natural Disasters as our Geography topic. During this topic we will be focusing on Japan and how and why this country in particular is vulnerable to a variety of different natural disasters. The Japanese theme will link to our work in D&T, which will give the children the chance to create their own Japanese food dishes and explore a range of different ingredients and cooking techniques. In computing, we will produce an animation and learn about keeping safe online. In History, we will be focusing on the Anglo Saxons which will link to our Art and design work creating our own Anglo Saxon helmets. In science, we will spend the autumn term looking at Plants and Flowers, in particular their structure and their functions. Our Spanish topic will be looking at classroom instructions and numbers up to 20. We will also be looking at a topic based on new beginnings in our PSHCE lessons. During this term, we will be learning about Hinduism as part of our RE lessons. Details about trips and other events will follow.

PE



Our PE lessons will take place on a Monday and a Thursday. A PE coach will be delivering some of our PE lessons. The main focus will be invasion games, in particular Tag Rugby, and Gymnastics. Depending on the weather, our lessons may take place on the school yard or in the school hall. **It is therefore essential that your child has suitable trainers for every PE lesson. PE kits should be left in school for each half term.**

Your child will need to have:

- Trainers,
- A pair of tracksuit bottoms or shorts
- A t-shirt

Homework

Your child will be given two pieces of homework each week (literacy and numeracy). Homework will be given out on a Thursday and it needs to be returned to school by the following Tuesday. Please make sure your child brings their completed homework to school in their homework folder. Class dojo's will be awarded for children who regularly complete their homework on time.

Spellings

It is really important for your child to learn their spellings at home, as well as in school. They will be given spellings and a rule to learn each week. Spellings will go home on a Friday. Please return spellings to school by the Friday of each week in preparation for a weekly test.

