

# Curriculum Newsletter

Year 3 Term 3 2021/22

Happy New Year! Welcome to Term 3 of Year 3! We hope you all had a lovely holiday break and are ready to go for Term 3. Here are some important dates for the term. I will post reminders on ClassDojo to help all of us.

## Important Dates for Term

17<sup>th</sup> January — Individual Photographs 17<sup>th</sup> January — Eco, H&S and Pupil Academy council meeting w.b 24<sup>th</sup> January — UWE History and Art Takeover week 18<sup>th</sup> February — Last day of Term 3

## Readers and Writers



This term, we will study the book 'The Iron Man,' which was written by Ted Hughes. We will be focussing on using on using our prediction skills to predict what will happen next based on what we already know and inference skills to infer a characters thoughts and feelings.

We will write our own version of the story with an alternative

ending at the end of the term while also continuing to focus on spelling, punctuation and grammar skills.

Alongside this, children will learn key reading skills including vocabulary choice, making inferences based on clues from the text, as well as how to answer questions that require the retrieval of facts from a text.

### Mathematicians



In this term, we will be solving problems with multiplication and division. We will be exploring mental and written methods to work out multiplication and division problems. We will

be focussing on our 3x, 4x and 8x times tables as well as recapping our 2x, 5x and 10x tables. At the end of the term, we will be moving on to fractions.

It is important that your child continues to log into Times Tables Rockstars. This will help your child learn and practise important multiplication and division facts and support our learning in class. Our leader board in the classroom is updated weekly. If you are unsure of your childs username and password, please contact me through Class Dojo or at the end of the day.

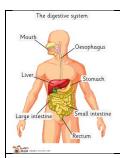
## Kindness in the Classroom



Our unit for Kindness in the Classroom is inclusiveness. We will learn what inclusiveness is and why it is important that we include others. We will also be focussing on fairness and its importance in our school community. We will continue to use or wellbeing box in the classroom too.

#### We are Scientists

This term, Year 3 are being Scientists. We are learning about the digestion system and our teeth. We will be learning about the process a piece of food takes after we eat. We will focus on the organs involved in the



digestive process and why they are important in keeping us healthy and alive. We will show what we have learnt by writing an explanation text all about the digestive system in our writing lessons. Towards the end of the term we will begin learning about the Earth, its layers and fossils.



For this term, we have a professional sports coach from Bristol Sports Foundation teaching a range of skills to our class every **Thursday**.

Miss Gilbert will be following our Real PE curriculum with us on a **Wednesday** afternoon. This term we will focus on coordination and balance.



We are continuing to use an individualised spelling programme across the school. Your children will have spellings to learn every week as part of their homework and it is very important that they are supported to learn these before being tested on a Friday morning.

For homework, children have their weekly spelling list as outlined above. They will also be encouraged to use TimesTables Rockstars as much as possible to support their learning in maths.

We have a new library which the children will use every week. Children are expected to read for **20 minutes 5** x a week. Please support your child in encouraging them to read daily. Reading diaries will be checked on a Friday.

If you have any questions at all, please contact myself through ClassDojo or at the door. Yours Sincerely,
Miss Gilbert