

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 2 - Term 3 2023/2024

Welcome to Term 3!

We hope you had a lovely winter break and are ready for a fun and busy Term 3. Please make sure you log onto ClassDojo each week to check for updates and to see all our amazing work!

It is very important your child brings in their **water bottle, reading book and a coat** every day!



Dates for Term 3:

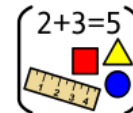
3rd January: Term 3 Starts
 15th January: School photos – individual and sibling.
 7th February: Junction 3 Library Visit
 9th February: Last day of Term 3
 19th February: Term 4 Starts

Authors



As authors this term, we will be reading *The Last Tree* and *The Couch Potato*. We will be continuing to apply our learning from Year 1 and building on the new skills we have been learning in Year 2 to help us innovate our own story and a recount of an event. Don't forget to ask us all about the stories and our writing – we will be very excited to discuss them with you!

Mathematicians



As mathematicians, we will be continuing to deepen our knowledge and understanding of numbers within 100.

We will do this by continuing to practice the skill of adding and subtracting, as well as starting to look at multiplying by 2, 5 and 10.

We will also be continuing to investigate 2D and 3D shapes.

Scientists



As scientists, we will be exploring matter and properties and measurement.

We will begin to understand that everything is made out of atoms, and how different things can be sorted (classified) into solid, liquid, or gas.

We will also investigate that water can easily be changed into ice (solid), water (liquid) and steam (gas).

Athletes



Our athlete lessons for Term 1 are on **Monday and Tuesday**.

Children should come to school dressed ready for athlete lessons.

As athletes, we will be practising and refining our basic movement skills through our Real Dance PE curriculum.

Bristol Robins Foundation Coaches will be with us on a Tuesday coming to run dodgeball sports sessions.

Phonics



As readers and writers this term, we will be starting Phase 5c phonics sounds (alternative spellings), as well as revising Phases 2, 3, 4, 5a and 5b.

Please ask us about our phonics sounds at home!

Geographers



As geographers this term we will be looking at locational knowledge of England and the world.

We will research and explore the area where we live.

We will also be investigating the wider area of the South West region of England, including other towns/cities and the major rivers.

Evergreen Citizens



As Evergreen Citizens this term we will be looking at Relationships. We will be exploring how everyone's family is different and understand that most people value their family.

We will also be investigating our relationships with friends and how we can problem solve to resolve conflict. We will also be discussing how it feels to trust people and recognise who can help us.

At home learning



Please listen to your child read at home at least **5 times per week**. This is the most important thing you can do to support learning at this age. Just 5 minutes per day makes a big difference. Don't forget to ask your child to identify the sounds in the words – they will be very keen to show off their phonics skills!

We will be checking in daily and will change books when appropriate.

Have fun reading together!

If you have any questions at all, please contact me through ClassDojo or speak with myself or Miss Carruthers at the door.

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs Goodfellow – Year 2 Class Teacher