

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 3 Term 1 2024/2025

Welcome to Year 3! My name is Mr Woosey, and I am your child's new class teacher. I have already spent some time with your child in term 6 of last year and I am very excited to continue teaching them this year. Year 3 is an exciting year for everybody, it is the start of Key Stage 2 and much of the learning is new and exciting, I cannot wait to get started! A new schoolyear is here, and we are very proud of our progress through school so far. This is the start to a whole new school year; we are very excited to continue our learning journey into Year 3.

We are very proud of our learning so please make sure you log onto Class Dojo each week to check for updates and to see all of our amazing work!

Authors



As authors, we will be reading The Great Explorer by Chris Judge. We will be using our Phase 2, 3, 4 and 5 phonics to independently segment and blend words to independently read sentences in the book. We will be using a range of exciting adjectives and conjunctions to compare and contrast locations. This book is linked to our Historians Unit on European explorers.

We are going to use our great oracy skills to discuss, retell and act out our story. Ask us all about our book at home — I am sure we will be very excited to discuss it with you!

Mathematicians



As mathematicians, we will be deepening our knowledge and understanding of numbers within 1000. We will be learning about multiplication and division. We are always keen to use our strategies... I wonder if we can teach you at home!

As a class we will also be practising our number formations up to 10 and beyond in every activity we do. We will have maths homework weekly based on our in-class learning. Please remember to complete and return to school!

Historians













As historians we will be learning about different European explorers — John Cabot and Christopher Columbus. We will discover the places that these explorers discovered and what impact this had on our way of life.

We will be using a range of new vocabulary to explain our learning as historians!

<u>Athletes</u>



As athletes, we will be practising and refining our basic movement skills. These will be developed and enhanced through our Real PE curriculum. This term, we will be focussing on our cognitive cog. We are very excited to have the Robins foundation coming in to lead some sessions this term which will help us to develop our athlete characteristics through sport.

Readers



As readers, we will be reading The Great Explorer as well as morning DERIC work, where we practice our key skills as readers including retrieval and inference as well as furthering our vocabulary and discovering new and exciting words.

We will have a spelling test every Friday. Please practise your weekly spelling words at home!

<u>Citizens</u>



In jigsaw, we will be learning about relationships and life as an EPA citizen.

We will be accepting that everyone is different, learning about the word 'inclusion' and discussing the use of kind words.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding our learning.

<u>At home learning</u>



Please listen to your child read at home 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 change reading books when appropriate. Reading is the most important thing you can do with your child to advance their learning journey.

Most importantly...

Have fun reading together!

Yours Sincerely, *Mr Woosey*