

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 3 Term 4 2021/22

Welcome to Term 4! We hope you all had lovely half term and have come back full of energy for this term.

We are looking forward to all the fantastic learning opportunities we have ready for this term.

Dates for the diary:

3/3/22 – World Book Day – dress as your favourite character

8/3/22 – International Woman's Day Afternoon

14/3/22 – Big Maths Afternoon

16/3/22 – INSET day

29/3/22 – 30/3/22 – Parents evening

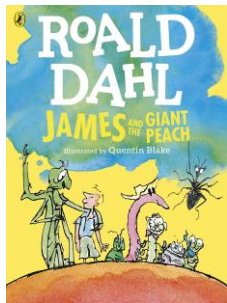
31/3/22 – Book at Bedtime

1/4/22 – International Autism Day Assembly

1/4/22 – Ramadan Learning Afternoon

8/4/22- Easter Learning Afternoon

Readers and Writers



This term, we will study the book 'James and the Giant Peach' which was written by Roald Dahl. We will be focussing on describing characters and settings as well as sequencing events.

We will continue to practise and develop our spelling, punctuation and grammar skills within our writing sessions with a key focus on using subordinating conjunctions and fronted adverbials

Alongside this, children will learn key reading skills including learning and defining new vocabulary, inferring why the author has used particular words and inferring a characters thoughts and feelings..

Mathematicians



For this term, we will be focussing on measure then moving on to a focus on fractions.

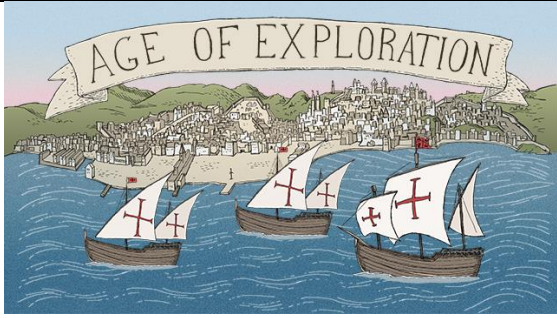
We will first be looking at measuring accurately and

correctly using the correct unit of measurement before moving on to comparing lengths. We will also continue to practise our addition and subtraction skills within this unit.

We will then be moving on to fractions where we will be looking at the part-whole relationship, finding halves, thirds and wholes as well as adding and subtracting fractions.

Encourage your child to log in to TTrackstars as much as possible. As noted last term, a solid grounding in basic number skills really supports you child with the knowledge of all mathematical skills.

We are Historians



In History, we will be looking at European Explorers.

We will particularly be focussing on ‘The Age of Exploration’, a time where many new places were discovered. We will be investigating why people may become explorers and their reasons for setting out on voyages. We will also be exploring what conditions were like on ships during these expeditions with lots of fun drama activities.

We will also be studying famous explorers at this time including Sir Walter Raleigh, Sir Francis Drake and John Cabot.

We are citizens (Jigsaw)

This term we will be looking at the unit Healthy me. We are going to be explaining why it is important to look after your body and keep healthy. We will be exploring different types of exercise and how we can keep ourselves safe. We will also begin to explore drugs and their impact.

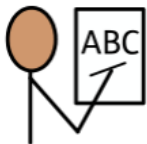


Kindness in the Classroom

This term, we will be focusing on integrity. We will be concentrating on honesty and perseverance. We will be discussing how we can build positive relationships through kind, fair and inclusive behaviours and actions. We will also be identifying strategies that will help us be honest and persevere through challenges.



For this term, we will have PE on a **Wednesday** and a **Thursday**. On a Wednesday, we will be having Real PE focusing on gymnastics skills with a focus on the physical cog. On a Thursday, we will have Bristol Sport for Basketball.



We will be continuing with spellings this term moving forwards with the year 3 spelling rules. Your child will bring home spellings to practise and be retested for the following week. This will happen every Friday morning.



For homework, children have their weekly spelling list as outlined above. They will be set times table rockstar activities for them to access online. Children will continue to visit the library weekly to change books. Children are expected to **read for 25 minutes every day**. Please support your child by writing in their Reading Diaries. Reading Diaries will be checked on a Friday. If you would like anything additional for your child, please ask!

We will still be using ClassDojo to celebrate our Year 3 learning so if you have any questions, please message us.

Yours Sincerely,
Miss Gilbert