



Year 3 - Advent Term 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school. I hope you all enjoyed the summer break and are glad to be returning to school and life returning to “normal”.

Literacy - we will be reading ‘The Hodgeheg’ by Dick King-Smith and writing settings descriptions, newspaper reports and diary entries. Primarily ensuring all year 2 skills are secure before we move forward with year 3 skills.

Reading - there will be regular class guided reading and independent comprehensions. We will work on using punctuation to help understanding, identifying how characters relate to each other and drawing out further inferences. Please listen to your child read regularly at home. There are some books on Active Learn and the system has been set up to add a new book once one has been completed and **all** questions answered. Login details are in the front of the reading record book.

Maths - we will be focus on reading, writing, comparing and ordering numbers to 100 first them moving on to numbers to 1000. Counting in multiples of 3, 4, 8, 50 & 100 and recognising the place value of any digit in a 2-digit and 3-digit number. Times tables – This term we will focus on securing the 2’s, 10’s, 5’s before moving on to 3’s, 4’s and 8’s when we are ready. Please practise these using TT Rockstars. Log in details are in the front of the reading record book.

RE – We will start by looking at The Domestic Church family under the theme of ‘Homes’, then move on to Baptism and Confirmation with the theme ‘Promises’ and then move into our Advent topic of ‘Visitors’. We will also have a week where we explore other faiths.

<p>Science - we will explore all the bones, muscles and movement of the human skeleton as well as looking at nutrition and what the body needs.</p>	<p>PE - During the session with the sports coach you will be learning to play invasion games such as Hockey and Basketball, focusing on passing and receiving.</p>
<p>Geography - we will recap the year 2 work on continents and oceans then take a closer look on the countries of Europe, and their capitals and look at human and physical features of Europe.</p>	<p>PSHE - Exploring our feelings and working out what makes me, me.</p>
<p>ICT - We will look at Scratch as well as remembering what we have already learnt in E-safety.</p>	

Homework will be set every Friday and will be due in on or before the following Wednesday. This will be maths a piece of maths **and** literacy or a 'creative' or topic-based piece set in place of the literacy homework.

Spelling and **times tables tests** will take place on Friday. The terms spelling have been sent home with this letter and a copy has been placed on the class page on the website.

As always, your support and interest in your child's education will only help to maximise their progress and if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me via Dojo, email, link book or phone call.

Kind Regards

Mrs Fraser