



Spring Term Class Newsletter

Year 3

V Reading this term:

The Tin Forest by Helen Ward, *Until I Met Dudley* by Rodger McGough, *The Tear Thief* by Carol Ann Duffy, *Cloud Tea Monkeys* by Mal Peet and *Elspeth Graham* and *Cinnamon* by Neil Gaiman.

Home reading: Please listen to your child read at least three times per week for around 15 minutes and record it in their school diary. Reading is one of the most important things a child can do as it is the key to accessing the whole curriculum. Your child should read a wide variety of books, not just the school reading scheme. A list of recommended reads is available on our website which can be found at the library. Diaries must be signed by an adult after each read.

What we are learning this term

<p>English This term we will start by reading “<i>The Tin Forest</i>” and “<i>Until I Met Dudley</i>”. This will help us to develop our non-fiction writing with pictures being a stimulus. We will then move on to “<i>The Tear Thief</i>” and then explore the imagery within to write letters and poetry. In the second half of the term, we will read “<i>The Cloud Tea Monkeys</i>” and develop our descriptive and discussion writing. We will then move on to reading “<i>Cinnamon</i>” in which the children begin to make inferences about characters and situations in the story.</p>	<p>Maths In Maths this term, we will be looking at Multiplication and Division through a range of mental and progressing to formal written methods which will be used to solve problems. We will look at Measurements and Money and how to measure, compare, add and subtract: lengths, mass, volume, capacity and perimeter of simple 2-D shapes. We will start to add and subtract amounts of money to give change, learn how to tell and write the time from an analogue clock, including using Roman numerals.</p>	<p>Science In the first part of the term, we will continue to look at Plants and explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. We will also start to look at both Humans and Animals and identify right types and amount of nutrition that they need. We will also identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.</p>
<p>History This term, we will be looking at Romans. We will learn how to identify and describe the key features of the layout of typical Roman towns in Britain.</p>	<p>Geography In Geography, we will be exploring what Earthquakes are, how they are caused and the impact that they can have.</p>	<p>Religious Education We will be exploring what different people believe God is like, what this means to them and what matters to Christians about Easter and why Easter is important to Christians.</p>
<p>Art and Design This Term, we will be designing and creating Roman armour and shields and studying Roman Artwork. Also, we will be designing our own Cloud Tea Monkey and studying the wok of Andy Warhol.</p>	<p>Design Technology This Term, we will be creating our own Roman Armour and our own Roman 3D pieces of artwork.</p>	<p>Computing This term, we will be learning how to use the programme Scratch to programme a set of instructions. In the second part of the term, we will look at how people use the internet through a number of ways to research and communicate.</p>
<p>PSHE This term, we will explore the unit of Relationships which includes exploring Healthy relationships, Feelings and emotions and how to Value differences.</p>	<p>PE This term, we will have a weekly Swimming lesson on Tuesday afternoon.</p>	<p>Music In Music this term, we will have a weekly music lesson delivered by WMS.</p>
<p>Spanish <i>This term, we will be continuing to learn different animals in Spanish. In the second part of the term, we will look at different musical instruments in Spanish.</i></p>	<p>Homework and notices <i>Reading – 15 minutes a night at least three times a week.</i> <i>Spellings – test is every Friday (words are stapled in diaries)</i> <i>Times Tables Rock Stars – three times a week.</i> <i>Friday Challenges – can be completed once a week and returned to school on Tuesday.</i></p>	

Events this term

- Safer Internet Day is Tuesday 11th February 2020
- World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March 2020
- Trip to Viridor woods.

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The website has full information about the school’s curriculum, class information, school information and copies of previous letters sent out. Messages will be sent home using Class Dojo so please ask your child’s teacher for information on how to join up if you haven’t already.