

Year 3 Curriculum Letter

5th May 2017

A huge welcome back to Year 3 children and parents,. We hope you had a fabulous and restful Easter. We are looking forward to an exciting, sunny term and continuing the hard work and fun until the end of the year.



Learning



Maths

At the end of last term, the children all completed another diagnostic test for their times tables. Once again, they will be bringing home worksheets on times-tables to be completed as part of their home-learning. During lessons the children's focus will be on Number, Fractions, geometry and the properties of shape and measurement and statistics.

English

Shackleton's Journey is the text we will be following this term and we are very much looking forward to reading this with the children and are excited to see what work they produce. We will also be researching the role of explorers and what makes someone want to follow this type of lifestyle.

Topic & Science

This term our creative curriculum theme is 'The Great British Outdoors'. We will be using atlases to look at the United Kingdom as well as how Abbots Farm has developed through history. Any information books/maps or resources you think would be helpful are always welcome.

We have already started our brand new science topic - 'How Does Your Garden Grow? This exciting topic gives the children the opportunity to examine plants and optimal growth conditions and the life cycle of plants. We will also be investigating the importance of plants globally. Following half-term, we will be investigating mirrors, light and shadows. The children will be taking part in an Art Project and will be looking at David Hockney's work.



Important Dates



Class Assemblies

Wren — 24th May 3pm

Goldcrest— 14th June 3pm

Open Afternoon — Week beginning 5th July

Sports Day — 17th July



Reading

There is an in class competition for the reader of the month. This will focus not only on how many times a child reads at home, but also good reading behaviour in school.

Please can you take the time to listen to your child read as much as possible and remember to note what has been read in planners

It is important that they are fluent and expressive before year 6.

PE & Games

Please ensure PE kit is in school on a Thursday. As the weather gets warmer we will be going outside more, please ensure that all children have a pair of trainers.

This term we will be focussing on Striking and Fielding, as well as Athletics.

It is also important that the children bring bottles of water so that they remain hydrated throughout the day.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child, please don't hesitate to speak to one of the year 3 members of staff or arrange an appointment through the office.

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