Year 3 Spring 1 Curriculum Newsletter

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| **Maths**   | This half term, our maths learning will focus on place value, multiplication and division and length and perimeter. We will look at multiplying and dividing 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers, and, measuring, comparing and finding equivalent measurements. We will build on our learning from last year about using practical resources as well as methods of multiplying and dividing. We will also be focusing on using reasoning to justify our thinking and responses. **Please encourage your child to practise the 4, 8 and 3 times tables.** |
| **SPaG**  | In SPaG this half term, we will be looking at adding prefixes and thinking about how thses prefixes can change the meanings of words. We will be focusing on punctuation such as capital letters, full stops, commas and exclamation marks as well as conjunctions and prepositions. We will also be learning the year 3 and 4 common exception words. These are tricky because the children can’t always use their phonics to spell them!**Please encourage your child to practise these at home.** |
| **English**  The Princess who Hid in a Tree: An Anglo-Saxon Story: Amazon.co.uk:  Holderness, Jackie, Marks, Alan: 9781851245185: Books   | This half term, we’ll be reading the book ’The Princess hwo Hid in a Tree’ by Jackie Holderness. This book is about an Anglo-Saxon princess who is kidnapped by an evil king for her beauty. In Guided Reading, we will be reading The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear. Thank you for your continued support with reading at home – it’s been fantastic to see so many children already recording what they have been reading at home in their reading record books. Keep up that hard work! |
| **Science**    | Our focus for Science this half term will be rocks and their physical features. We will identify the different types of rocks and their properties. Children will investigate through handling rocks, practical investigations and observations. We will work scientifically by gathering, reporting and presenting information in different ways.  |
| **PSHE**    | This half term, our focus for PSHE will be ‘Living in the Wider World. We will be answering the key question ‘What is important for life outside of school?’. Children will look at a variety of aspects for living in the wider world such as belonging to a community, media literacy and digital resilience and money and work. We will be recognising respectful behaviour and identifying what this behaviour looks like – this links perfectly to our learning powers!   |
| **Captivating** **Curriculum**    |  In our Captivating Curriculum, we will be looking at lots of different topics, such as Anglo-Saxons in Histroy and the use of animals in paintings in Art. In RE, we will be looking at the concept of Peace with a focus on Buddhism. We will also be looking at sequencing sounds in Computing and how we can use technology safely and responsibly.  |

Additional home learning ideas your child may want to complete

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| Carry out some research on ‘The Renaissance’. Find out all the information you can and create a little fact file based on this topic. You will be the experts! | What is your favorite book? Write a paragraph explaining what it is about this book that you like so much. Why do you think it is a five star book? |
| Animals can be put into groups based on the types of food they eat. Some animals called carnivores only eat meat. Others are called herbivores and eat plants. Animals that eat meat and plants are called omnivores. Choose three animals to research and explain about their diets. | Look at some different food packets in your cupboards or empty food packets that have been eaten in your home. Write the name of the food and the nutrients it contains. |

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Please could the children wear their PE kits into school on their PE

days, which will

be

on

Tuesdays

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House coloured T

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Shirt (not football shirts), shorts, leggings or

tracksuit trousers and

trainers or shoes that are suitable for sport.

Please encourage your child to read regularly and hear them read at

home; it is important to help with difficult words, expression and

understanding of the text. Your child will benefit from being asked questions

about what they have read, as this develops their comprehension.

Please encourage your child to learn and practise their timetables.

We will focus on the 4, 8 and 6 times tables this half term. They

also need to learn the related division facts as well as recall the

multiplication facts quickly.

The children will be sent home with their logins and passwords for

Times Tables Rockstars. This can be accessed at home

as well as at school to

help improve their maths skills.

Home learning will be posted directly to the Class Dojo page as well as in their home learning books. Home learning will be set on Fridays and will be due in on the following Thursday. Please encourage your child to complete their home learning in the exercise book provided. Alternatively, they can post a picture of it on their Dojo portfolio.

Important updates will be posted to Class Dojo often, so please check regularly. Please don’t hesitate to message me on Dojo or catch me at the end of the day if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you, Miss Jones 😊