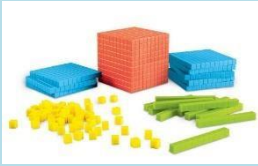


What's happening in Year 3 this half term?

Maths



We will be finishing off our fractions unit and we will then be learning about mass and capacity. This half term is a perfect time to do some cooking with your child so that they can get some hands-on experience measuring in grams, kilograms, litres and millilitres. We will then be going back to fractions, learning about fractions of amounts, adding and subtracting fractions and representing fractions on a bar model. The children will be working on their 3, 4 and 8 timetables in Times Table Rockstars (TTRS).

SPaG



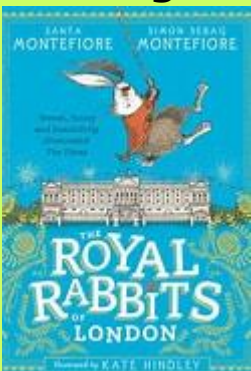
In SPaG this half term, the children will be learning about the prefixes 'super-' and 'auto-', homophones, words with the /k/ sound spelt 'ch', and the children will be revising previously taught suffixes ('-ed', '-ing', '-s', '-es', '-ness', '-ful', '-less' and '-ly'). We will also be continuing our focus on punctuation such as pronouns, contractions, speech marks, fronted adverbials and the possessive apostrophe. Children have really started to show their understanding of grammatical features in their writing!

We will also be continuing to learn the Year 3 and 4 common exception words.

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answer	complete	forward(s)	often	probably	special
breath	continue	heard	particular	promise	straight
breathe	early	imagine	peculiar	purpose	strange
busy	fruit	important	perhaps	remember	surprise
business	group	island	popular	sentence	woman/women
consider	guard	learn	potatoes		



Please encourage your child to practise these at home.

English



We will be reading *The Royal Rabbits of London* by bestselling authors Santa Montefiore and Simon Sebag Montefiore. It's a story that shows that even the smallest rabbit can be the biggest hero.

Life is an adventure. Anything in the world is possible – by will and by luck, with a moist carrot, a wet nose and a slice of mad courage! Shylo has always been the runt of the litter, the weakest and quietest of all of his family. His siblings spend their days making fun of him for not being like the rest of them. But when Shylo stumbles across a band of Ratzis and overhears their evil plan to take a photo of the Queen in her nightie, it's up to this unlikely hero to travel to London and inform the

	<p><i>Royal Rabbits of London about the diabolical plot! The Royal Rabbits of London have a proud history of protecting the royal family and now the secret society need to leap into action to stop the Ratzis... But can a rabbit as feeble and shy as Shylo convince them that the Queen is in danger?</i></p> <p>The children will be making predictions, writing non-fiction fact files, diary entries and letters in English. The children will also be reading this text for Guided Reading. They will make inferences, explanations and predictions, learn about the vocabulary choices, retrieve information from the text and summarise the story.</p>
Science	<p>Our focus for Science this half term will be more about plants! We are going to delve deeper and learn about trees too!</p>
PSHE 	<p>During Summer 1, our concept is Health and Wellbeing. This will be our concept throughout the whole of the summer term. We will be looking at healthy choices and habits, personal strengths and achievements and considering risks and hazards.</p>
Captivating Curriculum 	<p>In our Captivating Curriculum, we will be learning about abstract sculpture in Art. The children will be learning about the sculptor Sher Christopher. The children will be practising a variety of paper sculpture techniques and will be creating their very own paper sculpture inspired by the book 'where the wild things are'. We will then be using clay to develop our sculptures! In RE, we will be looking at the concept of Authority and linking this to the Bible and the Qur'an, looking at Christianity and Islam. We will also be looking at Desktop Publishing in Computing.</p>

Additional home learning ideas your child may want to complete

<u>Art</u> Design and make a sculpture using recyclables e.g. milk bottles or cereal boxes.	<u>Science</u> Plant a seed and watch it grow! Record your observations and talk to a grown up about what plants need to survive.
<u>Computing</u> Create a poster or PowerPoint about something that interests you. You could use Word, PowerPoint, Publisher or another app on your computer to do this! Remember to ask a grown up first to check the app is appropriate to use.	<u>English</u> Write a diary entry as if you are one of the characters in The Royal Rabbits of London.

Please could the children wear their PE kits into school on their PE days, which will be on Tuesdays. Please ensure PE kits are suitable: House coloured T-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 3, 4 and 8 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.