







Welcome to Year 3

Dear Parent/Carer

We have put together lots of information about Year 3. It includes an overview of the learning we will be engaged in this term, some key things to remember and some ideas for things to do at home to support learning in school.

Year 3 Staff			
Miss Barlow Cherry Class Teacher		Miss Dawson Mulberry Class Teacher	
	Miss Dunn Mrs Oldfield Mrs Johnson Support Staff		Mrs Carty Mrs Cleary Support staff

<p>Every Tuesday and Thursday we have a PE session. Homework goes out on a Friday and you have a week to complete it. Remember to practice your times tables on Times Table Rock Stars. Can you beat your best score? Read to your adults every night and bring your book back every day. Log on to bugclub and complete your books online. How many do you think you can complete?</p>	 
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Homework tasks and fun activities	
<p>Can you find 3 fascinating facts about the Egyptians? Can you research plants and draw and label them? Use the internet or books to research how people lived during Ancient Egypt. Can you write a fact file about another country? Can you make your own sculpture? Can you top the leader board on TT Rockstars? Can you read both fiction and non-fiction books on Bug Club?</p>	 

Learning in School

English	<p>We will carry on the fantastic work we have been doing during the Spring term by reading some more super stories.</p> <p>We will begin by reading 'A World of Cities' by James Brown, and doing some descriptive writing and making fact files based on this text. We will then read Matilda by Roald Dahl and look at some story writing, and finish the summer term with some more non-fiction by reading Where the Forest meets the Sea by Jeannie Baker.</p> <p>We will keep on making sure that we are always using simple punctuation e.g. capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks, commas and apostrophes. We will be continuing to use lots of expanded noun phrases and conjunctions to make our sentences more exciting.</p> <p>Every afternoon we will be practicing our handwriting in class.</p>
Maths	<p>In the first half of the Summer term, we will be learning about fractions, money and telling the time (this will be telling different times including digital, roman numerals and analogue clocks). Then for the final half term we will look at statistics (e.g. two-way tables, pictograms and bar graphs) and shapes (e.g. this will include looking at angles, and measuring and drawing different shapes.)</p> <p>It would also be super helpful to keep practising counting in 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 8s and 10s, both forwards and backwards! Remember that using the TTRS app is a fantastic way to help your child practice all of the maths skills that will really help them at school. Let us know if your child is unsure of their username or password.</p> <p>https://trockstars.com/</p>
Science	<p>We will be starting to look at plants when we return after the Easter holidays. We will be looking at the different parts of the plant and how they grow. We will be setting up an investigation which will carry on throughout the Summer term to observe how these plants grow. Then we will look at forces and magnets, and finishing with a couple of lessons about biodiversity.</p>
PSHE	<p>'Being my Best' is our first PSHE topic of the term, where we will look at ways in which to keep both our minds and bodies healthy. This will be followed by 'Growing and Changing', where the children will look at types of relationships and how to keep them positive. They will also start to look at the female reproductive system.</p>
Art	<p>We will be producing some Ancient Egyptian scrolls in Art, learning about the different features of Egyptian art and how to make papyrus paper.</p>
Music	<p>Year 3 take part in lots of singing both in class and in our assemblies. We will learn lots of new songs and practise some of the school songs that we already know. We use the Music Express program at Knowleswood to develop our skills in singing and using instruments.</p>
Geography	<p>In Geography, we will be looking at 'Are all settlements the same?'</p> <p>We will be looking at different settlement patterns and the pros and cons of different settlements. As well as, looking at the different human and physical features of different settlements.</p>
History	<p>Year 3 will be studying the topic 'What did the ancient Egyptians believe?'</p> <p>We will look at the different Egyptian periods in history. We will also be looking at pharaohs, Egyptian Gods and pyramids.</p>
DT	<p>In DT our topic is going to be 'constructing a castle'. We will be creating our own castles! We will also be looking at the different features of castles and how we can use 3D shapes to create a castle.</p>
French	<p>In French we will continue to develop our French vocabulary and develop our French speaking. Our topics in French this term include: 'French transport' and 'a circle of life'.</p>
Computing	<p>The computing scheme that we use at Knowleswood is called icompute. We will be learning about the internet and the world wide web, and will move on to learning how to create and edit audio podcasts!</p> <p>Throughout our topics we always look at and talk about how we keep safe when we are using the internet both at school and at home!</p>

PE	During the first half of the Summer term, we will be learning all about athletics, then will be moving on to rounders and football.
RE	This term, we will be exploring more about the Hindu faith! We will be looking at how can Brahman be everywhere and in everything, and will then move on to learn about whether visiting the River Ganges feel special to a non-Hindu.

Key Dates

Monday 6th May – School closed (Bank Holiday)

Friday 24th May – School closes

Monday 3rd June – School opens

Friday 28th June- School closed (training day)

Friday 19th July- School closes