



A Message from Year 3

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed half term and are all refreshed and ready to continue our learning.
Mrs Bingley, Miss Bal & Mr Tomey

Reading

Our reading text this half term begins with “Operation Gadgetman”, This book follows Beans and her friends’ journey to rescue her inventor father. Beans’ father invented a machine that can empty ATMs and as a result was kidnapped by people who want the invention for themselves. Armed with the special Gadgetman Spy Kits, Beans and her friends set out on their rescue mission and what follows is a thrilling adventure packed with suspense and excitement.

Writing

We begin this term with advanced instructional writing. Then we will move onto performance poetry. Finally, we will finish the term with first person narrative descriptions.

Maths

In maths we will begin by looking at fractions. They will learn about unit and non unit fractions as well as equivalent fractions. Then we will move onto measuring and comparing mass and capacity. As always we ask that children regularly practice their times tables on TT Rockstars.

Wider curriculum

Our **Geography** topic this term is called “**Island Life**” we will be learning about the islands of the world, how they are formed, what life is like on some islands, as well as some of the threats to people’s lives and their unique cultures.

In **RE** we will be discussing the question “**Why are festivals important to religious communities?**” The children will learn in depth about the Christian festival of Easter, then later on in the year they will be comparing this to the religious festivals of Diwali in Hinduism, Pesach in Judaism and Eid ul Fitr in Islam.

In **PSHE** our topic is “**Healthy Me**” the children will be learning about how choices affect their health. This includes the importance of exercise, learning about calories, fat and sugar and the impact of drugs, including medicine. Finally, how to keep themselves safe and how to contact the emergency services.

Our **P.E.** focus this term is invasion games and cricket.

In **Spanish** this term the children will be learning about shapes as well as recapping greetings and numbers.

Uniform

Uniform(Summer)

White polo shirt with black or dark grey shorts
Navy blue sweatshirt / cardigan with the school logo.

Navy blue and white checked summer dress
Religious headdress should be plain navy, black or white.

Hair accessories

Please note all hair accessories must be plain navy and small in size.

Footwear - All children should wear sensible black school shoes or plain black trainers or plimsolls with plain socks or tights (White, navy).

PE kit for all - Plain navy shorts and a white t-shirt, black plimsolls or trainers

Homework

We will be sending out homework books every **Friday**. Alternate week swill have a new list of spellings.

Homework books are to be returned **every Tuesday**.

P.E

- **Attenborough** P.E – Tuesday & Thursday
 - **Mercury** P.E – Tuesday & Friday
 - **Singh** P.E – Tuesday & Friday
- On PE days children are to come to school in their PE kit.

Reading Records

Children should be reading at home (independently or to an adult) **at least 3 times a week**, but preferably every day.

We would like to see evidence of this in reading records with the children recording a detailed comment about the section they have read.