

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome from the Year 3 team.

**WELCOME
BACK**

We have an exciting half term ahead with our first topic '**Rocks and Fossils**'. Alongside this, we will be reading '**The Pebble in my Pocket**' for English which is set in the Jurassic Period. So please have lots of conversations all about this period in time!

Pupils will have the opportunity to take part in our **Dinosaur Isle Trip** towards the end of the Autumn term and a morning out at the **cinema**! This will allow your child to have a real life experience to make their learning come to life!

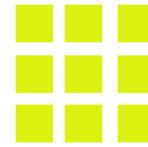
We will be having PE lessons on **MONDAY** afternoons so please ensure your child has correct PE kit in school at all times

We welcome parents into our classroom for our **Exciting Excavation** morning and look forward to seeing you there.

Dates for your Diary

- Wednesday 12th September - Parents Meet and Greet
- TBC - Dinosaur Isle Trip
- Tuesday 16th October 2018 9.00-10.00am - Excavation morning for parents to join.
- Monday 29th October - Individual School Photographs.
- Wednesday 21st November - Cinema Trip

Thank you.
Year 3 Team



Nine Acres Primary School Autumn Term 1 2018

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Mr Hartup



Miss Palmer



Parent Information Leaflet



'Striving for Excellence'

Year 3 - Autumn Term 1 2018 - Theme: Rocks and Fossils

English

Where do pebbles come from?

Within English this term we will be reading "The Pebble in my Pocket". We shall be writing setting descriptions of a Jurassic picture and creating a descriptive poem about a Volcano eruption. We will be looking at the journey pebbles take and how they end up on our beaches and land.

Mathematics

Do you ever go shopping and add up the bill in your head?

Number and place value: We will be learning to learn numbers up to 1000! We will be working hard to order these numbers and be able to find 1, 10, 100 more or less than a given number, compare and order numbers to 1,000.

Addition and subtraction: Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits, using mental and formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction.

Estimate the answer to a calculation and use inverse operations to check answers.



PSHE



In PSHE we are thinking about friendship, what makes us happy or sad and how to resolve differences.

Computing

In computing we will be looking at animations. We will be planning our own story boards, designing backgrounds and characters before finally animating them and adding sound.

Religious Education

We will be looking at the concept of Ritual and why this is different from just having a habit!

Homework

The children are given **English homework** designed to develop their skills. These activities allow the children to be imaginative and creative whilst also applying their learnt skills from school. Homework will be set on Monday and will be due on the Monday after.

Theme

Rocks and Fossils



Discover the dangerous and ferocious world of natural disasters and glimpse their savage and deadly effects. Take part in an excavation...

unearthing stones, fossils and bones. Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties.



Discover the property of rocks shaped by the Earth's breathtaking power.

How can you help at home?

Practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables to earn our school badges. Children by the end of Year 4 should know all of their times tables.

Practise weekly spellings.

Homework to be handed in on a Monday.