

Year 3 Newsletter

Autumn 2 2018



Well done to everyone in Year 3 for such a wonderful, calm and successful first half term. We look forward to another fun term together including our visit to the Roman Verulamium and our KS2 production!

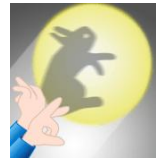


Year 3 Curriculum

English this half term will be based on the popular text 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman. Children will be reading this text within English lessons and will link their writing to ideas and concepts in the book. Some of the text types we will be learning to write include: diary entries, letters, narratives in the style of the author and adventure stories.

In **History** lessons children will be continuing to learn about the Romans and in particular their influence on Britain.

Our **Artwork** will enable the children to explore the work of the artist Stella Dunkley. Children will be using watercolours to recreate sunsets and seascapes inspired by the beautiful work of Dunkley.



In **Music**, Year Three will continue to develop their recorder skills. We are looking forward to learning the note 'g' and learning Christmas songs.

In **Science**, our focus will be on the topic of 'Light and Shadow'. Children will learn where light comes from, how shadows are formed and investigate how shadows change. If the children have any information or books about 'Light and Shadow' they are more than welcome to bring them in to share. We encourage the children to make use of the school library and local libraries have a wonderful selection which may help with home learning or homework activities.

In **Computing** this half term, children will begin an introduction to Computing. This will allow children the opportunity to learn about how computers work and the history of computers.

In **R.E.** children will continue learning about Hinduism and in particular about the importance of the Mandir.

Priory Rise's Value of the Month

Teamwork and Co-operation

In our PSHE and assembly times we have been focusing on the theme of co-operation and teamwork. Throughout November, we will be discussing what this means, what it looks like in everyday life and the importance of teamwork and co-operation.

Faith

December's theme is Faith. Children will have the opportunity to discuss what this means, the importance of Faith throughout the world and the benefits that Faith brings into lives.

Homework!

At Priory Rise we consider homework to be extremely important as a means of continuing and developing the learning that takes place in the classroom. We welcome the support that parents provide in assisting their children with homework at home and encouraging the children to complete their tasks to the best of their ability and to the highest of standards.

This term's **homework bingo** has been sent out to all children. This is also available on the school website. **MyMaths homework** is now available online for children to complete. Please let your class teacher know if you have any problems logging in. Alongside this, it is the expectation that children will be **reading** regularly at home and practicing their **times tables**, ready for their weekly multiplication challenge.



Physical Education

PE and Games in Key Stage 2 continues to take place on the following days this half term:

	Year 3 Blake	Year 3 Browne	Year 4 Morpurgo
Indoor PE	Monday	Thursday	Thursday
Outdoor PE	Friday	Friday	Friday

Mr Smyth and Mr Neal teach all PE sessions. Please ensure that your child has shorts and t-shirt for indoor PE and an appropriate warm PE kit for outdoor PE. Please label all PE kit.

Supporting your child at home

Thank you for your continued efforts in supporting your child at home.

You can continue to support your child at home by regularly listening to your child read, practising timestables, completing MyMaths homework and practising spelling patterns outlined in the termly spelling letter.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 7th November- 10th Birthday Celebrations and Fireworks!
Monday 12th November- Y3 trip to the Verulamium
Wednesday 14th November- Morpurgo Class Assembly
Friday 16th November- Children in Need (more information to follow)
Friday 30th November- Non-uniform day for Christmas Fair
Friday 7th December - Christmas School Fair
Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th December KS2 Production
Thursday 20th December- Christmas Lunch and Party games
Friday 21st December- Break up for Christmas!
Monday 7th January 2019- Back to school

