

NEWSLETTER

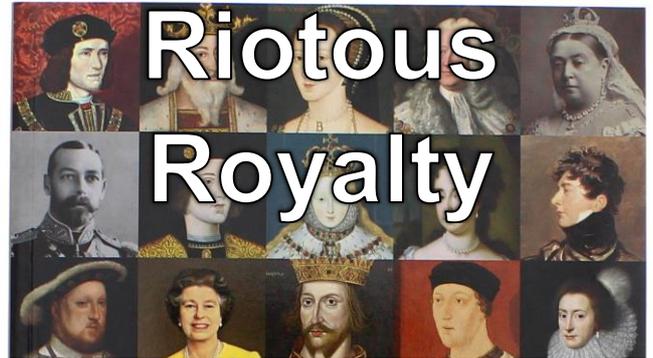
FOR YEAR 3

SPRING 2019



Welcome

Happy new year to you! I hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and are looking forward to this new school year. Our Spring newsletter provides details of this term's curriculum activities. This term there will be lots of interesting and imaginative learning opportunities during our new topic work on British monarchs, and then the geography of the UK.



Sports

P.E will take place on Thursday and Friday each week. Thursday's lesson will be in school, and Friday will be swimming. Please can you ensure children have both indoor and outdoor kits in school as PE lessons can change at the last minute due to timetabling and weather.

Additionally, it is really important children have their swimming kit in school first thing on Friday morning. We will leave for swimming at around 9:05am, so there isn't much time for kits to be brought in if they are forgotten.

Children should also bring a carrier bag for wet or muddy trainers/clothes, which will then be sent home.

Homework Information

Homework timetable:

Monday:	Spelling test
Thursday:	Weekly Maths homework due in
Friday:	Times tables test; weekly Maths homework set

There will also be additional homework set most weeks, normally linking to English or our topic. When such homework is set, the children will be provided with a sheet to complete or with an explanation of the task.

In Year 3, children are expected to take responsibility for their own homework. If they do require help, please make a note on their homework so additional support can be given in class.

Pupils are expected to record their own reading in their reading diary, but will still need to read to an adult at home on a regular basis.

Topics

This term our two topics will be Riotous Royalty and Hunted! - UK Geography.

ENGLISH: We will be using a range of texts and visual stimuli to focus on key writing skills, such as using conjunctions to extend sentences, using adverbials and writing fiction and non-fiction texts.

HISTORY: We will be studying five monarchs in British history, and how their reign impacted the powers of the British monarchy.

GEOGRAPHY: We will be learning about different locations and features of UK geography, including key landmarks.

SCIENCE: We are learning about the different types of rocks, as well as studying magnetism.

MATHEMATICS: We will be focusing on multiplication & division, money and length & perimeter. Children will also be learning how to use their knowledge to reason about their maths, as well as solving problems.

ART/DT: Our art and design work will be linked to our topics. We will be designing crowns, creating portraits and learning about food preparation and hygiene.

ICT: We will develop key skills in a range of subjects.

RE: We will be following the new Warwickshire RE Syllabus, and the main unit is on the importance of the Bible to Christians.

PE: Children will be receiving lessons in swimming (Friday mornings) and gymnastics (Thursday afternoons).

PSHE: Rules, personal targets, friendships and other relationships, health and happiness, rights and responsibilities.

Hunted! – UK Geography



Diary dates

15th February - Teacher training day

18th - 22nd February - Half term

7th March - World Book Day

14th March - Year 3 class assembly

26th and 28th March - Parents' evening

12th April - Last day of term

There will also be some school-led church services throughout the term. These dates will be confirmed in the school newsletter.