



NEWSLETTER FOR YEARS 3/4 SUMMER 2018



Welcome

I hope that you have had a wonderful and are looking forward to the new term. Our Summer 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 The Victorians.

The Victorians



Homework Information

Homework timetable (Class 3/4):

Monday:	Spelling test
Tuesday:	Reading/times tables/spellings
Wednesday:	Reading/times tables/spellings
Thursday:	Weekly Maths homework due in
Friday:	Times tables test; weekly Maths homework set

Due to the fantastic response from both children and parents to our previous homework topic, we will be setting another one during this term. The details of this are currently being finalised, but all children will be provided with a detailed information sheet when the homework is set. Until then, children will be set some grammar homework each week, to be handed in on a Friday.

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.

Sports

Class 3/4 P.E will take place on Tuesday and Friday afternoons, with both sessions involving outdoor sports. However, with the changeable weather, there may be weeks when the PE session is changed at the last minute, so please can you ensure children have their kits in school everyday.

A reminder that all children are expected to wear the correct sports/P.E kit in school. This consists of a plain white T-shirt (with no logos), red shorts and black pumps, (please check the size!). An outdoor sports kit (dark blue or black tracksuit, white T-shirt and trainers) may also be required for cooler days.

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

Topics

This term our Topic is The Victorians

ENGLISH: We will be reading and writing a range of fictional texts (using a range of stimuli), information texts, narrative, and studying poetry.

HISTORY: We will be studying the Victorian era, with a particular focus on key events in the life of Queen Victoria, a general look at the lives of different Victorian children at home, school and work.

GEOGRAPHY: We will be finding out about the British Empire during the Victorian era, using map skills to work out most of the countries that were part of that empire.

SCIENCE: We are studying forces and magnets, and looking at plants.

MATHEMATICS: Work will continue of reasoning and problem solving, measurement of mass, capacity, length and time, and 2D and 3D shape Times tables will also continue to be a focus, as well as revising all the calculation methods.

ART/DT: Our art and design work will be linked to our topic focussing on using a range of materials. We will focus on the use of paints to create artworks, mixing colours and developing brushwork.

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

RE: We will be following the new Warwickshire RE 2017 Syllabus

PE: Children will be receiving lessons in tennis, athletics and football this term.

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

FRENCH: Increasing vocabulary. Spoken and written French.

MUSIC: To be taught by an external teacher.



Diary dates

Monday 7th May - Bank holiday (school closed)

Friday 25th May - Teacher training day

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June - Half term

Thursday 7th June - KS2 trip to Black Country Museum

Wednesday 11th July - KS2 performance (afternoon)

Thursday 12th July - KS2 performance (evening)

Friday 20th July - Last day of the school year

We are looking forward to a fun packed final term with lots of hard work and high expectations as we prepare the children for the next academic year. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any issues that may arise or you have any questions.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank for your support with the children's outstanding homework projects last term.

Mr. Tim Swards