Spring 2 Newsletter

ENGLISH

This half term in English we will be reading 'Fantastic Mr Fox' by Roald Dahl. Using this story as our as inspiration, we will be writing a range of fiction and non-fiction writing texts ourselves. A particular focus will be on improving our grammar and sentence-structuring skills.

In reading, Year 3 will explore a range of fiction and non-fiction texts to broaden our reading knowledge and develop our understanding. We will focus on furthering our reading fluency and comprehension skills so that we can enjoy texts independently.

PSHE

Our topic this half term is 'Healthy Me'. Year 3 will explore the effects exercise and the impact different food groups can have on health. We will also investigate strategies for keeping ourselves safe, with awareness on who we can contact for support.

Design & Technology

Year 3 will be exploring British Inventors. We will investigate the invention of telephones, the world wide web, reinforced concrete works, and mackintosh. Year 3 will also explore and reflect on the impacts that inventions have had on their own lives.

MATHS

In Maths we will begin by calculating the length and perimeter of shapes. We will understand the difference in measurements. We will solve word problems involving all four operations and this will move onto recognising the place value of digits up to four-digit numbers.

Finally, Year 3 will revisit calculating with fractions with the same denominator.





COMPUTING

In computing this half term, pupils will continue to develop their knowledge of making presentations on PowerPoint. They will be creating presentations about themselves, including editing and recording audio over the slideshows. They will look at what is considered personal information and how to use and share it in a way to keep themselves safe.

INFORMATION

Year 3 will now have PE on a **Wednesday** and will need to come to school in their kits on this day.

Every **Thursday afternoon**, Year 3 will continue swimming at Burt Williams. Please ensure that children bring the correct kits to school and that any jewellery is removed.

Reading books will be changed regularly so please make sure that your child brings their book and reading record to school **every day**.

RE

This half term we will be exploring the question, 'Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday?' Year 3 will look at religious texts related to the resurrection of Jesus and what they may mean for us now. We will also look at how Christians celebrate Easter in their different communities.

GEOGRAPHY

In Geography, Year 3 will be exploring the question 'Where on Earth are we?' This topic will improve our locational knowledge and enable us to practice our geographical skills. We will conclude by creating a world map, including North and South poles and the equator.

MUSIC

This half term, children will be following the '*Dragon Song*' unit of work on Charanga. Children will be deepening their knowledge of how songs are put together and developing their singing skills. It will conclude with making a recording of their final performance.

SCIENCE

In Science, Year 3 will be investigating the question 'How does your garden grow?' During this topic, we will learn the different parts of a plant, how water is transported through plants and all about the life cycle of flowering plants.

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"You are the light of the world... Let your light shine..." MATTHEW 5:14-16

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