

YEAR THREE HOME LEARNING

Reading

Along with other reading activities, your child will take part in weekly 'Book Talk' guided reading sessions led by their a member of the Year 3 team. Within these sessions the children read aloud in small groups, with a comprehension focus on particular reading lenses from the 'Reading Rainbow' (which can be found on the Year 3 web page and within the children's reading records). The banded books that the children use within these sessions will be brought home to share with you. These books will be carefully selected so that they are at an appropriate level for your child. You will be informed which day your child will take part in a 'Book Talk' guided reading session. Old books should be returned on this day before new books will be issued. The children will begin bringing reading books home to share with you on the week beginning 20th September 2021.

In addition to their reading at school it is expected that the children read and/or listen to you read for at least 10-20 minutes on a daily basis to help to develop their enjoyment, fluency and comprehension skills. If you are looking for books to read, please see the suggested reading list on the Year 3 web page which has been designed specifically for children in Lower Key Stage 2. Any reading at home must be recorded in their Reading Record, which should be brought into school to be reviewed. We would also very very much appreciate your support in encouraging the children to complete the week's Reading Rainbow lens sentence starter in their reading records once they have done their reading with you at home.

Spelling

This year we will continue to follow the **Read, Write, Inc.** spelling programme which has been designed to raise the confidence and ability of all children to reach the highest standards when writing. In order to improve the retention of this complex system of spelling patterns, there will not be a list of spellings sent home for children to learn for a weekly test. A 'Spelling Overview' can be found on the Year 3 web page and this will show you which spelling rules or patterns will be covered throughout the year. There are also the National Curriculum common exception words available both here and in your child's reading record. To support your child, we recommend you spend time going through these with them to ensure they understand the meaning and spelling of these challenging 'rule-breakers'. If you have any questions about this, please speak with your child's class teacher and we will endeavour to support you with any queries you may have.



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Maths

We support the emphasis in the new National Curriculum for Maths that pupils become “fluent in the fundamentals of mathematics”. This highlights the importance of children knowing the key mathematical facts and methods, and being able to recall them efficiently, in turn supporting their progress in maths, and enabling them to apply their knowledge to rapidly and accurately solve problems.

In order to support your child's learning and help them to develop their rapid recall skills, each half term we will have a particular focus area. For the first half of the autumn term we would like the children to revise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables so that they are able to recall them instantly and in any order. After half term we will continue to work on these times tables but the focus will be on the associated division facts, before beginning to work on our recall of 3, 4 and 8 times table facts. There will be regular instant recall checks to help us to gauge how well the children are progressing. We would also greatly appreciate your support in helping and encouraging your child to practise their times tables as often as possible on Times Table Rockstars. We request that your child completes 5 minutes each school day/25 minutes a week to make the most of this fantastic resource. Further information regarding Times Table Rockstars will be shortly posted on 'Class Story' on Class Dojo, and login details will be shared with children that are new to the year group.

Topic Task

Be as creative as you like. Show us what you have learned by making, writing, drawing or using technology.

Autumn 1 Topic: History - The Stone Age to the Iron Age, Science - Forces and Magnets

This will be shared in class on Friday 5th November.

Autumn 2 Topic: Geography - Our World, Science - Animals Including Humans (human and animal diets, nutrition and skeletons)

This will be shared in class on Friday 7th January.