

Year 3 Newsletter – Spring 2 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,


Welcome back! We hope you all had a restful half term. Our half termly theme is the concept of Environmental Interaction and Sustainable Development. Children will begin to understand the impact that they have on our World and how to ensure they look after it for future generations.

Attendance

Kingfisher: 94.9%

Woodpecker: 93.2%

Target: 97.5%

As **readers and writers**, we will be  focusing on the book 'The Secret of Black Rock' and 'Tale of Tin Forest'. As we study the book, we will then look at narrative and a range of sentence structures. At the end of term, children will use vocabulary, learnt techniques and their own creativity to invent their own version of the story. We will introduce non-fiction newspaper articles and use the text to help us write in this text style.

In addition to this, the children are bringing home book banded stories which they should be reading for 15 minutes daily.

Spellings are sent home weekly and are linked to the phonic activity and the Year 3 spelling words.

Science

As scientists, we will be studying forces and magnets. We will

- Understand forces can be contact and non-contact
- Understand how contact forces affect an objects movement across a surface
- Know about magnets
- Understand how to identify if a material is magnetic
- Know some uses for magnetic materials

As **Mathematicians** we will be learning 
Statistics

- Interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables.
- Solve one and two step questions such as 'How many more?' and 'How many fewer?' using information presented in scaled charts, pictograms and tables.

Measurement: length and perimeter

- Measure length in cm and m
- Find equivalent lengths between cm and m.
- Find equivalent lengths between cm and mm.
- Compare lengths.
- Add and subtract lengths.
- Measure and calculate perimeter.

Fractions

- Make equal parts.
- Recognise a half, quarter and a third.
- Find a half, quarter and a third.
- Use unit and non-unit fraction.
- Find equivalences of $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$.
- Count in fractions.

As **theologians** we will be looking at religious signs and symbols within the Islamic faith.

As **linguists** in Mandarin, we will be studying Chinese culture and begin to write

As **good citizens** we will be developing our understanding of making the right choice. We will be able to recognise and explain how to keep environments safe and choose the safest option. We will also be looking at links between work and money and the impact this has on our lives.

As budding technicians, we will continue to learn about the importance of staying safe online and online bullying (E-safety). We will also be continuing with learning about coding.

As **musicians** we will be using Charanga to listen and appraise a range of different types of music and perform a range of songs.

As members of the **Oasis Community**, we will be looking at our Global Goals. In Year 3, our Global Goal is 'Life Below Water.' This involves looking at features of coastlines and looking at the history of the '2-minute Beach Clean.'



Building a sustainable world

As **artists** we will be exploring the difference between relief and an impressed printing block. We will also be using plastic from our oceans to create emotive pieces of art, as well as exploring what murals are and making our own.

As **athletes** we will be begin looking at outdoor and adventure activities involving orienteering. We will also be focusing on the three types of throws that are utilized within athletics.

Notices and reminders

- Please ensure your child's iPad is in school every day and fully charged as these are used to support learning daily.
- Please **read** with your child every day and initial your comments or your child's comments.
- PE is on **MONDAY** and **THURSDAY** every week for Kingfisher and Woodpecker Class.
- Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school on the relevant day.
- **Homework** will be given out every Friday and handed in by the following **Wednesday**.

Thank you for your support!

Year 3 Team

Kingfisher

Class Teacher: Mrs Begum

Teaching Assistant: Miss Wallace

Woodpecker

Class Teacher: Mrs Lula