



Class Newsletter

Year 3

Autumn 2018

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you all had a wonderful Summer holiday.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a **Tuesday afternoon** to be completed for the following **Monday morning**. Homework will usually be a Maths task related to the work that we have been doing that week. These activities should be completed in about 20 - 30 minutes with minimal adult support.

Spellings

Spellings will begin in the week commencing 17/9. 10 spellings will be learnt each week. Correct spellings are highlighted and the 'unhighlighted' ones are to be part of the 10 for the next week. Your child knows their group.

Full stops- Monday

Question marks- Tuesday

Exclamation marks- Wednesday

Commas- Thursday

Apostrophes- Friday

Take Away Homework

Our takeaway homework this term is linked to our Discovery Curriculum topic of Stone Age to Iron Age. This will be sent home separately.

Reading Books

Reading books will be changed as and when needed so please ensure your child brings their signed reading records and books to school every day.

PE

PE will be on a **Tuesday**. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is at school on this day and that it is clearly labelled to avoid loss. Earrings should not be worn on this day and long hair should be tied back.

Snack

The children can bring in a fruit snack for break time and a labelled water bottle to use throughout the day.

Volunteering Your Time

If anyone would like to volunteer to come into school to hear children read, then please feel free to come and see me after school. We really appreciate any support from parents and grandparents.

English

This term we will focus on:

- *Story writing.*
- *Writing non-fiction texts with appropriate features and vocabulary.*
- *Reading myths and writing our own version.*
- *Play scripts.*
- *Instruction writing.*
- *We will also focus on sentence construction and punctuation.*



Maths

The areas of maths that we will cover this term include:

- *Place value*
- *Addition and Subtraction*
- *Multiplication and Division*
- *Measurement*



Science

As part of our Discovery topic, our science work will focus on:

- *Evolution and Inheritance*
- *How living things have changed over time*
- *Fossils*
- *Compare and group different kinds of rocks on the basis of their simple, physical properties*
- *Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed*

Discovery Curriculum

This term our main topic is 'Stone Age to Iron Age.' We will continue to teach subjects through our Discovery Curriculum which has a cross-curricular approach to teaching and learning, taking into account what the children know and would like to know.

At the end of topic we will complete a 'Champion Challenge', where the children will use all of the skills that they have learnt to complete a group challenge.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. If you have any questions or problems, then please do not hesitate to contact myself or Miss Boyle. I am available to speak to parents after school, or if this is not convenient then please phone and make an appointment.

Mrs G. Morley