

Class 3 Newsletter



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Summer 2019

Welcome Back! We hope that you all had an enjoyable Easter break. This year is flying by and we have some exciting things planned for the summer terms.

In **English** this term all of our work will be based around Egyptian myths. We will be using example texts as a base for our own narrative writing, information texts and poetry. Throughout our English work we will continue to build on our grammar knowledge, focusing on sentence openers, paragraphs and conjunctions. We will continue to teach spelling through a little-and-often approach in school. Please support your child with their spelling by working with them on the spellings sent home each week. The year 3/4 spelling list can be found on the website.

In **Maths** we will be exploring fractions. We will spend some time learning about what a fraction is and what makes a fraction a whole. We will find fractions of shapes and amounts and start to identify equivalent fractions. We will also add and subtract fractions and solve fraction problems. We aim to move onto measures when the fraction work is complete. On a Tuesday afternoon the children will be focusing on time with Mrs Hyde. Please continue to work with your children on their times tables at home. By the end of Year 3 they are expected to know their 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables (and related division facts).

Our new **Science** topic is rocks and fossils. We will be looking at, and comparing the different types of rock, and investigating how they change. We will also be investigating fossils.

In **History** we will be learning about Ancient Egypt. We will explore 4 key questions: Where does Ancient Egypt fit on a timeline? What was daily life like in Ancient Egypt, Who ruled Ancient Egypt? and What did Ancient Egyptians believe about

the afterlife? We are hoping to arrange for 'Portals to the Past' to come into school for an Egyptian workshop day with the children which will be really exciting and will help to bring the topic to life. A letter will follow with more details in the next few weeks.

In Music we will continue with our violin lessons.

Our PE lessons will be on a Thursday and Friday but please ensure PE kits are left in school all week. This term we will be developing our running, throwing and jumping skills in athletics.

In Computing we will be researching information on the internet and putting it into a PowerPoint presentation.

We welcome any parent/grandparent helpers into our class - if you have any expertise on any of our topics you wish to share with us or simply have spare time to come and read with children please come and speak to us. We are, in particular, looking for at least one parent per day to pop in at 2.45 or 3pm as often as you can (ad-hoc basis is good too!) to hear children read. As always, please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Hodgkinson, Mrs. Garland and Mrs. Scott