



Year 3

Summer Curriculum Newsletter 2019

Welcome back! We all hope you had a great Easter break and are ready for the summer term.

This term 'We are Explorers'! We will be looking at famous explorers as well as exploring our local area. Each week we will be exploring something different, from animals and humans to countries of the world. We finish the term looking at Pirates and working together to survive on a deserted island.

We hope you find our newsletter useful; it will give you some information about what the children will be learning, dates for your diary and some ways to help with your child's learning.

English

Writing

This term, as explorers, we are exploring the book 'the boy who biked the world'. Through this we are going to be focusing on writing a persuasive letter and a newspaper report. To complete these we will be further improving our planning, writing, editing and redrafting skills.

Reading

We will be exploring our book during our reading sessions where we look to analyse the text and look deeper into how the characters are feeling, what may happen next and being able to explain our reasoning using information that we already know.

Phonics & Spellings

Phonics will be continuing to be taught daily and the children have been split into 3 groups for this term.

Spellings will continue to be sent home weekly, the children will have spellings from the National Curriculum list of Year 3 & 4 words and these will be tested on a Friday. Throughout the week, children will be taught different rules and these spelling rules will be tested through a dictation, also on a Friday.

Maths

We will be looking at shape and measure during the first half term, with a heavy focus on angles and other properties of 2d and 3d shapes. After half term we will be using the time to revise what we have learnt and building on the prior learning and addressing any gaps that the children may still have.

We would hope that by the end of Year 3, children are confident in their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. At the end of Year 4, they will be tested on their times table knowledge and therefore we are dedicating time each week to times table practice.

Foundation Subjects

Each week we will be exploring a different topic. Below is an outline of what we will be exploring each week. It would be great for the children to have support from home to go alongside the work they are doing in school. Therefore, any prior work or understanding will benefit their learning of the topics we are covering.

<u>Week</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Week Title</u>
1	24 th -26 th April	Explorers in History
2	29 th April – 3 rd May	Exploring our Local Area
3	7 th – 10 th May	Exploring the United Kingdom
4	13 th – 17 th May	Exploring Countries of the World
5	20 th – 24 th May	Exploring Countries of the World
	Half Term	Exploration Week
6	4 th – 7 th June	Exploring Humans (Skeleton)
7	10 th – 14 th June	Exploring Animals (Skeleton)
8	17 th – 21 st June	Exploring Plants
9	24 th – 28 th June	Exploring Plants
10	1 st – 5 th July	Map Skills
11	8 th – 12 th July	Pirates
12	13 th – 19 th July	Surviving on a new Island

Our PE lessons will now be outdoors where we will be doing Tennis, Rounders and Athletics. These will continue to be on Thursday afternoons and Friday mornings.

Our music lessons will continue to be on Thursday afternoons and we will be continuing to learn how to play the recorder.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Drop and Stop – *Friday 14th June from 9:00-11:00am.*

Cherrylicious Day – *Friday 28th June.*

Day Trip to the ‘Look Out Centre’ – *Tuesday 18th June.*

More details will be sent out soon. If anyone is able to volunteer to come on this trip, we would be very grateful for your help.

Sports Day – *Thursday 4th July.*

Pirate Day – *Wednesday 10th July.*

A day where the children can come dressed as pirates. A plan for the day will be sent out closer to the time and parents are more than welcome to come and join in!

We are looking forward to a very exciting final term in Year 3 and thank you for all of your ongoing support throughout this year.

Mr Talbot and Mrs Guy
Y3 Class Teachers