

Year 3 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the Summer term at St Paul's. I hope that you enjoyed the Easter Break. We are looking forward to a fun and productive term in Year 3 and have an exciting curriculum planned for your child. This newsletter will keep you informed on what will be happening over the course of this half term.

RE

In RE this term we will be learning about the Kingdom of God. We will be making links between the story of the Day of Pentecost and the belief about the Kingdom of God on Earth. We will be looking deeper at the impact made when Jesus left as well.



English

In English, we will begin reading the text *Scribbleboy* by Philip Ridley. As the children explore the text they will write letters from the characters, create invitations and write character and setting description. We will be focusing on the main skills needed to progress to Year 4 e.g. use of present perfect tense and grouping ideas into paragraphs and assuring that the children's grammatical understanding is solid. We will use our Guided Reading sessions to focus on the reading dog domains through the use of our English text as well.

Maths

In Maths, we will continue to work on closing the gaps in learning following the nation wide lockdown during the spring term. We will ensure children are confident on their addition and subtraction abilities. We will then spend time focusing on fractions, looking closer at making the whole, recognising tenths, quarters, thirds and then use these skills to find fractions with objects then numbers. We will also be focusing on the children's multiplication and division skills.

PE

We will continue to have PE on a Monday. Children will need to come into school wearing their PE kits (no football shirts / kit will be permitted).

Please note that where possible children will participate in PE, and many other lessons, outside therefore a warm jumper in school is essential.



Topic

Our first cross curricular theme for the term is 'Urban Pioneers' where we will learn about how places have become urbanised and how they can be improved. During the final term, we will complete the topic 'Rocks, Relics and Rumbles' where we will learn about the features and characteristics of Earth's layers, including a detailed exploration of volcanic, tectonic and seismic activity.

Homework

Children will have two reading books sent out each Monday which they must return on Friday. This allows a 72 hour rest period for the books before they are changed and returned.

Children will be set learning log tasks linked to our topic work. We will continue to expect children to access Times Tables Rock Stars to continue to work on their Times Table knowledge.

Spellings will be set on Spelling Shed and tested in school each Friday. Can you please ensure that spellings are practised weekly. Your continued support with homework is invaluable and we are always on hand to support children with tasks they are unfamiliar with.



If you have any problems or concerns and wish to speak to me then please make an appointment via the school office.

Kind regards

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Student Teacher: Mr Westwood