

Year Three Newsletter April, 2024



Welcome

Hello everyone and a big welcome to the new Summer Term in 2024!

Website Reminder

To keep you up to date with useful and helpful information regarding dates and activities, as well as with your child's learning, achievements and progress, we will be continually updating our website throughout the term. To access this information, make sure you visit the class pages on the academy website regularly. Find us at: www.oldcleeprimaryacademy.co.uk then click the 'Children' tab, followed by 'Year Group' and Year 3.

Social Media Reminder

We are regularly using our school media accounts more frequently, so please follow us on Facebook (@Old Clee Primary Academy) and Twitter (@OldCleePA), to see what the children have been up to!



Curriculum

This term, during Maths lessons, Year 3 will be consolidating all of our learning on number, geometry, statistics and measurement by solving lots of reasoning and problem solving challenges using different methods and strategies.

In English, the children will be given many opportunities to read, both in our Bug Club sessions and within our class ERIC time. Our focus book for the first part of the term will be 'Leon and the Place Between' by Angela McAllister and we will then be moving onto poetry, where our focus book will be 'Carry Me Away' by Matt Goodfellow and writing descriptive poetry. We will be taking part in many discussions, drama and writing activities based on these texts.

In addition to this, we are looking forward to covering a broad range of curriculum areas over the term.

Within Art, our focus skills will be on painting and sculpture with emphasis on the artist Rosa Bonheur. During Design Technology lessons, we will be concentrating on the design skills of mechanisms, where we will be designing, making and evaluating a pneumatic mechanism. Through our computing lessons, we will be learning all about simulations, graphing and presenting. Whilst in History, we will enjoy learning about tourism in our local area of Cleethorpes through the use of primary and secondary sources. We will be delving more into the chronology of these times in History and important events that happened. In Geography, we will be learning all about places across the world such as Europe and our local area as well as understanding about erosion, deposition and earthquakes and volcanoes. Lastly, throughout our Personal Development lessons, we are going to be continuing our learning on how to be a SUPERB citizen.



Homework, Spelling, Times tables and KIRFS

Each week, your child will be given a list of 5-10 spellings to learn. Please support your child and help them to learn these words, so that they can apply them within their writing.

Every two weeks, your child will also be given, and expected to learn, a set of Maths KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts) which they will be tested on fortnightly.

We will also continue to develop children's times tables knowledge through Rockstars. Times tables knowledge and recall is vital as it assists practically all areas of maths. Each week the children will have a specific times table area to learn which we will also work on in class, so please encourage them to practise these at home.

New spellings and times tables will be given out each week on the testing day and tested the following week. Thank you for your continued support with this.

P.E Reminder

Year 3 P.E. sessions will be every **Monday (3LR & 3AA) or Wednesday (3RJ)**. It is still important that children come to school wearing their PE kit on these days (plain black or navy kit only). Please check your child's Home School Contact book for Uniform information. Jewellery will also need to be removed prior to the P.E. session for health and safety reasons — this cannot be done by a member of staff or another child in the class so please manage this at home.

Reading for Pleasure

As reading is so important in the development of our children's literacy skills, we are encouraging and promoting Reading for Pleasure across the school. We aim to develop children's knowledge, understanding and vocabulary through their love of reading. Within Year 3, we have been lucky enough to be involved in trialling our very own online reading corner! The children can access a wide range of books of different genres and topics all within their own age range. This week your child has been given a log in so that they can access their own pupil area to explore. Using the link below, we would love all children to access the reading corner as much as possible and enjoy reading a wide range of books and add them to their book shelves within their pupil area. We look forward to hearing about all of the wonderful books they have read!

Reading Corner Link - https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0&l=0

Dates for your Diary

Every Monday (3LR & 3AA) or Wednesday (3RJ) – P.E. Every Friday: New spellings and times tables given out. (KIRFs fortnightly) Wednesday 24th April – Magna Science Adventure Centre Trip

Kindest Regards, The Year Three Teaching Team.

