

Year 3 Spring Newsletter

Dear Parents,

We are so proud of how well the children worked in the Autumn term. We would like to thank you for your support and involvement last term and look forward to the new term, so here is a summary of what will be covered in class this term. Please remember that we are now wearing our winter uniforms which includes a white shirt and school tie. Please only send in healthy snacks at break time.

ENGLISH

This term we will be looking at descriptive writing and instructions based upon the Twits and narrative writing based upon the Stone Age Boy.

We will be writing narratives and retelling them and writing persuasively. We will be using all the features we will learn about. We will also be developing our vocabulary.

We will also be continuing our huge push on handwriting and joining our letters correctly.



MATHS

This term we will be looking at mental strategies for addition and subtraction, column addition and subtraction, using times tables to solve problems and fractions as part of a whole.

RE

We continue to follow the Archdiocese of Birmingham RE strategy.

This half term we will be looking at the following units.

Unit D - Christmas

Unit E - We listen to God's word at Mass.

Unit F- Lent

Unit G- Holy Week

Our Virtues for this term are:

“Eloquent and Truthful

And “Intentional and Prophetic”



Geography and History

During the Spring Term children will be finding out about Our Local Area. They will locate Erdington on a map and look at what makes up the local area.

We will look at the physical geography of Erdington.

We will learn about the land use in Erdington and how this has changed over time.

In History, we are learning about Chronology as part of a topic on Ancient Egypt.

SCIENCE

The children will be learning about Light this term.

We will be learning about how light travels and reflective surfaces.

We will also look at what we need to use to protect us from UV light.

We then move onto Animals including Humans. We will learn about diet and nutrition for different animals.

COMPUTING

This term we will be learning how to type more effectively through a unit

of work on Touch Typing Throughout this we will constantly be learning how to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly. ways to report concerns about content and contact.

PE

Children will be working on two strands of the PE curriculum this term.

gymnastics, where children will learn about different types of balances, rolls and jumps. This includes knowing how to land safely.

Tennis- where they will learn skills of ball and racquet control and footwork.

ART

Year 3 will be learning about Chromatic Art. Children will be learning how to use water colours correctly to paint life images.

DT

We will be looking at a Great British dish- Scones.

We will be focusing upon;

- Research
- Design
- Make
- Evaluate

At home

Please encourage your child to read as much as they can at home and persuade them to read a wide range of texts (fiction and non-fiction). It would be very useful if they could recall the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables with speed and accuracy.

P.E. and games lessons will be on a Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their kit on these days.

If there is anything you are unsure about, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The Year Three Team.