

Year 3 Learning Letter

Autumn 1



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Dates for your diary

- Wednesday 13th September - Year 3 and Year 4 Meet the Teacher at 4pm (on Zoom)
- Friday 15th September - World Afro Day
- Monday 18th September - Play Day
- Tuesday 10th October - Mental Health Day
- Monday 16th October - Parents' Evening 4-7pm
- Wednesday 18th October - Parents' Evening 4-7pm
- Friday 20th October - Show racism the red card (wear red)

Routines

Outdoor Learning - each class will have 2 sessions each half term:

3E Tuesday 19th September & Tuesday 3rd October (pm)

3B Tuesday 26th September & Tuesday 10rd October (pm)

Indoor PE - Wednesdays

Outdoor PE - Fridays

Home Learning

Maths: Set Friday (weekly) - due following Friday

Spelling Practice: Set Friday (tested fortnightly)

Messages

We have been so pleased with the start the children have made to Year 3; they have settled in extremely well! They all seem so ready for learning, which is lovely.

Bottles - Please ensure your child brings a water bottle in to school every day.

Labelling - Please ensure all items of your child's clothing are labelled.

Our Learning Journey

History: Londinium

We are beginning our year with a history-based topic called 'Londinium'. We will set the context of what London was like before and when the Romans invaded, with a focus on Boudicca's Revolt, before finding out about some of the key changes the Roman invasion made.

Outdoor Learning

For the two outdoor learning sessions, please ensure that your child brings suitable clothing on these days, including wellies and waterproof clothing.

PE Day

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit: white polo shirt; black/navy jogging bottoms, and trainers. **Please send children to school in their PE kit on these days and long hair should be tied back.**

English

Spellings –

Our spelling focusses will be:

'ow' phoneme spelled ou (e.g. sound)

'u' phoneme spelled ou (e.g. touch)

'i' phoneme spelled y (e.g. myth)

Words ending with sure (e.g. measure)

Words ending with ture (e.g. creature)

Reading

This year, we will be continuing with our whole class model of teaching reading, where we share multiple copies of a text. There are four sessions during the week and hearing children reading aloud is part of the process. We would encourage you to read daily with your child at home and if you would like your child to borrow books from our class library to support this, please send them in with a green Fairlawn book bag.

Writing

This year, we are using a new approach to the teaching of writing called 'The Write Stuff', which was trialled very successfully in school in the latter part of last year. The texts Year 3 will be basing their writing around this half term are 'The Secret of Black Rock' (narrative) and 'Skeletons and Muscles' (non-fiction).

Maths

We started off learning about Roman numerals as it fits so well with our Londinium topic. Other maths focus areas will be addition and subtraction first, making sure children are secure with end of Year 2 concepts and then place value of 3-digit numbers to 1000. The Maths Home Learning sent home each Friday (beginning next week) will give you a picture of what this looks like in school.

Science

In science we are studying 'Movement and Feeding'. We will be learning about nutrition for humans and other animals. We will also learn about the skeletal and muscle systems, discovering the role of these systems and how they work.

PPA

Our non-contact time will be on Friday mornings. Miss Brown will be taking the classes for art/DT and Mr Gomez will be teaching outdoor games.

Contacting teachers (between 8am - 6pm)

If you need to get in touch with us, please drop us an email during work hours (8am - 6pm: Monday - Friday) and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

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Please also ensure that emails/letters regarding pick up arrangements or appointments are sent to the school office and the class teacher.

We are looking forward to getting to know you over the course of the next year!

The Year 3 Team