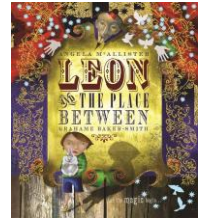


A Message from Year 3

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed your half term break and are excited to continue our learning. Miss Riches, Miss Ripley and Miss Gecheva.

Reading

Our reading text this half term begins with “Leon and the Place Between”, this is a mesmerising story that follows Leon who believes in magic and wants to convince his family that it truly exists. After this we will be reading the poem “The Night before Christmas” which tells the story of how, whilst all the family sleeps, a father witnesses a visit from St. Nicholas

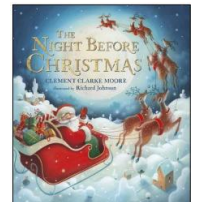


Writing

We begin this term with writing formal letters, looking at the structure and language used, as well as the difference between main and subordinate clauses.

Then, we will be writing dialogue through a narrative, writing in the past tense and using the third person perspective.

We finish the term with performance poetry, looking at alliteration, rhyme and repetition.



Maths

In maths we will begin by deepening our understanding of addition and subtraction and introducing multiplication and division. We also ask that children continue to practice their times tables on TT Rockstars.



Wider curriculum

Our **Science** topic this term is “How Humans Work.” We will be learning about the different functions of the human body, including how we see, hear, digest, breathe and move. We will also investigate how to maintain a healthy lifestyle, and the effects of diet and exercise on the body.

In **RE** we will be discussing the question “What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?” They will be finding out what Christians may do at home, in church and in the wider community and why these things are important to them.

In **PSHE** our topic is “Celebrating Difference” the children will learn about families and how they are all different. They will learn techniques to understand their feelings, techniques to calm themselves down and solve problems effectively. They also learn about giving and receiving compliments and the feelings associated with this.

Our **P.E.** focus this term is World Sports & Multi Skills

In **Spanish** this term the children will be learning about animals.

Uniform

- Branded navy-blue sweatshirt or cardigan
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Dark grey trousers (Dark grey shorts in Summer)
- Dark grey skirt
- Dark grey bib or zip front pinafore dress
- Royal blue and white zip-fronted gingham dress (Summer)
- Flat, black school shoes or black trainers
- Black, grey or white school socks (Dark grey tights)

Homework

We will be sending out homework books every **Friday**. Each week will have a new list of spellings. Homework books are to be returned **every Wednesday**.

P.E

- **Attenborough** P.E – Tuesday & Thursday
- **Mercury** P.E – Tuesday & Thursday
- **Singh** P.E – Tuesday & Thursday
- **Please note** – on PE days children are to come to school in their PE kit.

Trips

Our first trip is to visit the Science Museum as part of our Science learning, dates are still TBC. We welcome parent volunteers for all trips – please speak to or Dojo message your child’s teacher if you can help.



Reading Records

Children should be reading at home (independently or to an adult) **at least 3 times a week**, but preferably every day. We would like to see evidence of this in reading records with the children recording a detailed comment about the section they have read.