

Friday 19th April 2024

## Year 3 Spring Term

Welcome back to the Summer term. We hope you all had a happy, safe and healthy Easter break.

This term we will be learning about the Ancient Greece in History as well developing mapping skills looking at Modern Greece. In Science we will be finding out about Forces and Magnets and next half term Light. In English we will be developing persuasive writing skills using the text The Day the Crayons Quit, then write a narrative using Aladdin and Journey. We will then look at writing an explanation text using How Bees Make Honey, moving onto writing a narrative with Happy Prince. In Maths, we will look at money, fractions, time and shape. In addition to these subjects, the children will continue to be taught Art, PSHE, PE, Computing, RE, French, Spellings and Handwriting.

In Year 3, the children will receive one piece of homework weekly as well as a list of spellings to learn. In addition to this, we ask parents/carers to listen to your child read at least four times per week. Please record this in their Reading Record. Records will be collected in and progress monitored on a weekly basis. We also encourage children to log onto Purple Mash or Timestables Rockstars and practice their times tables. By the end of Year 4 they are expected to know all the tables up to x 12. If you need any guidance on how to access Purple Mash, please speak to your child's Class Teacher.

## **Homework and Weekly Timetable**

Monday: Tuesday: PE

Wednesday: PE, hand homework in.

Thursday: library time and reading records checked (please hand in weekly)

Friday: homework and spellings given out.

## **PSHE**

We shall be covering the concepts of Growing and Changing, progressing from the content the children were taught last year. A more detailed outline of this will be sent to parents as a separate letter shortly.

## **PE Kit**

Your child should wear PE kit to school on Tuesdays and Wednesday and they should wear a school jumper with it. They can bring a separate sweatshirt or hoodie to wear during the PE session only. We take children outdoors for PE in all weathers, so please make sure your child's PE kit is a plain white t-shirt, dark coloured shorts and plimsolls/trainers. Dark coloured jogging bottoms for the winter. If your child wears earrings to school, please provide tape to cover and protect their ears, or teach your child to take them out, or ideally not wear them on PE days.

We are really looking forward to working alongside you and your children this term. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher either at the classroom door or via email (year3@pdp.w-berks.sch.uk)

Thank you for your support, Mrs Hoskins, Mrs Ritchie and Miss Laxton

