

Class 3 Newsletter

Autumn 2 2022

Dear parents, carers and children,

Welcome to Autumn Term 2 (how quickly did term 1 go?!) Once again, the children in Class 3 have returned from have term perfectly and have shown an outstanding attitude towards their learning. They are all extremely enthusiastic about their topics this half term and I am really looking forward to seeing the excellent work they produce.

I feel that this class are exceeding all expectations this year in terms of their learning and their behaviour around school. It has been noted by all staff in school how phenomenal they have been and how well they have taken to Class 3. You should all be very proud!

Staffing

In class we have the support of Mrs Barlow in the mornings and Miss Own in the afternoons.

I will be out of class on a Thursday to carry out my SENCo duties, and Mrs Meadham will cover the class for me.

Topic

Science (Physics)

'Are you as attractive as a magnet?'

Our topic focus this term is heavily Science based, and will be looking into the following areas;

- Know about and describe how objects move on different surfaces
- Know how a simple pulley works and use to on to lift an object
- Know how some forces require contact and some do not, giving examples
- Know about and explain how magnets attract and repel
Predict whether magnets will attract or repel and give a reason

The children will have the opportunity to explore this topic through science, ICT research, design technology and art. We are really looking forward to all of the exciting lessons and experiments ahead.

English

Key Writing Genres:

- Narrative – adventure
- Independent stories based on short clips

There will be a significant focus on independent writing this half term. The children will be expected to be using basic punctuation throughout and we will be looking closely at their letter formation.

Spelling, punctuation and grammar focus:

- Revision of basic punctuation – capital letters at the start of each sentence and for proper nouns, full stops and inverted commas for speech
- Consistent use of paragraphs to organise their writing
- Noun phrases and expanded noun phrases

Class Book

The Nothing to See Here Hotel – Stephen Butler



A hotel for magical creatures, where weird is normal for Frankie Banister and his parents who run the hotel. When a goblin messenger arrives at The Nothing to See Here Hotel, announcing the imminent arrival of the goblin prince Grogbah, Frankie and his family rush into action to get ready for their important guest.

Mathematics

Topic Area focus: Addition and Subtraction

- Add and subtract mentally a 3-digit number and ones
- Add and subtract mentally a 3-digit number and tens
- Add and subtract mentally a 3-digit number and hundreds
- Add numbers with up to 3-digits using formal written methods
- Subtract numbers with up to 3-digits using formal written methods
- Estimate the answer to a calculation
- Use the inverse to check calculations
- Solve problems, including missing number problems, using number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction

Multiplications

- Count in multiples of 2
- Count in multiples of 5
- Count in multiples of 10
- Count in multiples of 8
- Count in multiples of 4

Physical Education

Monday afternoon (Oldham Sports Team)

- Netball

Thursday afternoon (City in the Community)

- Football/Team Games

Please make sure your child comes to school on PE days wearing their kit. You will receive a text if your child is not wearing the correct kit in school on the day of a lesson.

PE Kit

- Black pumps for indoor PE
- Plain dark shorts
- Plain white round necked T-shirt
- Trainers for outdoor PE
- Plain dark jogging bottoms and tracksuit top for outdoor sport in cold weather

Please note that no jewellery of any kind may be worn in PE.

Religious Education

Unit of work: 4.2 Christmas. Exploring the symbolism of light

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The aim of this unit is to:

- Give pupils an understanding of the Christian belief that Jesus is the 'Light of the World'
- Explore the multi0faceted metaphor of bringing light into people's lives

The children will be exploring this topic through written tasks and art tasks.

Reading

We are continuing to have whole class guided reading sessions and are starting this half term with The Nothing to See Here Hotel. We have already had some very impressive discussions about the vocabulary and punctuation used within the text, and the children will be completing lots of tasks linked to this. I have included information about the next three books we will be reading as a class this half term.



Mr Stink – David Walliams

The Firework Makers Daughter – Philip Pullman

PSHE

Jigsaw: Celebrating Difference



This half term we are joined with Jigsaw Jino and Jerrie Cat to explore the puzzle piece 'Celebrating Difference'. The children will learn about dealing with family conflict, witness and feelings and words that harm. We will undertake a range of learning activities ranging from role play to scenario based writing. The children have been showing a great level of maturity in these lessons and have been respectful to one another.

Home learning

Friday: Spellings

- New spellings will be given out each Friday and tested the following Friday
- Children will bring home their scores and a list of any words they may have found tricky
- **Please ensure that your child brings their spelling folder in each Friday so that I can check they have completed their activities linked to their spelling list**

Friday: Reading Diaries

- Children are encouraged to read each day for ten minutes minimum at home, in addition to the reading they complete in school
- If your child is a Free Reader, they have the choice of which books they read at home

read. Please return this to **Autumn 2 2022** school each Friday so that we are able to monitor their progress

- **Please complete the weekly reading diary with information of which book they are reading, any words they found difficult and if they enjoyed the book. I will be looking at these diaries each Friday and will set additional tasks if required**

Thursday: Multiplications

- Mrs Meadham will be leading the multiplication tests with the children each Thursday
- She is starting with revising 2, 5 and 10 times tables, and will gradually increase this as the children demonstrate their progress on each set
- Please ensure that your child brings their multiplication folder in each Thursday

A note from Miss Cuerden

Thank you so much to each of you for attending parents evening at the end of last half term. It was lovely to speak to you all and share with you the incredible learning your child has been doing. I am thoroughly enjoying teaching this group of incredible individuals and I hope they are feeling happy within the class. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Kind Regards,
Miss Cuerden

- your child is on the reading scheme at school, we will send home an appropriate book for them to