

YEAR 3 AUTUMN 2

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2021

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"Happy together in God's family,
we love, grow and learn."

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful October holiday. It was lovely meeting you all during Parents' Evening and I appreciate the lovely comments made and the support. I have really enjoyed getting to know the children in Autumn 1 and I am proud of how well they have settled into class. I'm very excited what this next half term will bring!

In English this half term, we will begin another mystery book with cross-curricular links to our geography topic (volcanoes and earthquakes). We will use the text to continue practicing our reading and comprehension skills, as well as to inspire some letter writing and a setting description. We will continue to begin lessons with grammar starters, recapping prior learning and covering some new Year 3 objectives. We will also continue to read as much and as widely as possible, starting an additional 'reading for pleasure' novel called Varjak Paw. We have already read a few chapters and are thoroughly enjoying it! As discussed at parents' evening, please listen to your child read as much as possible and ask them questions to deepen their understanding in order to support them in developing their reading and writing skills.

In maths this half term, we will continue with our addition and subtraction topic – moving from concrete materials to using written, column methods. Following this, we will start working on multiplication and division. Again, we will begin by using concrete materials to help us understand the operations, before moving into standard written methods. Throughout all work, there will be a problem solving and reasoning focus where the children can apply their learning. We will also have a short session each week (on a Monday morning) working on arithmetic skills, mental maths and times tables.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please see our knowledge organisers.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks,
Mrs Robertshaw



Important Days

Monday:

Reading books changed
Mental maths mini test (bi-weekly)

Tuesday

PE lessons (come in PE kit)

Friday:

Spelling Test

Important Dates

- 2/11/21 – Tennis (weekly) until Christmas
- 12.11.21 – whole school mass led by Y5 @ 9:30am
- W/B 15.11.21 – Antibullying week
- 15.11.21 – Odd Socks Day - suggested £1 donation
- 17.11.21 – Northern Ballet
- 19.11.21 – Non-uniform for Children in Need – suggested £1 donation
- 28.11.21 – Family Mass @ 11am – 1st Sunday of Advent
- 29.11.21 – Woolly Hat campaign starts
- 3.12.21 – Y3 & Y4 Advent workshop @ 2pm
- 8.12.21 – Pantomime in school
- 10.12.21 – Christmas Jumper Day
- 10.12.21 – Christmas Dinner Day
- 13.12.21 – KS2 Carol Service led by Y5 @ 5pm
- 14.12.21 – End of Woolly Hat Campaign
- 15.12.21 – Christmas party day
- 15.12.21 – Y3 leading Jesse Tree Assembly @ 9:15am
- 16.12.21 – Whole school mass led by Y4 @ 9:30am
- 17.12.21 – Finish for Christmas holidays

