

Year 3/4 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1

The Year 3/4 Teaching Team

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English

Children will be using the text 'Dracula' to inspire their writing. The book is a retelling of Bram Stoker's original and pupils will be using the text, as well as the trip to Whitby, to write their own Dracula stories, diary entries and poems based on the caped vampire. Our focus for this half term is spelling, including revising and learning new spelling patterns and rules.

Maths

We are looking at number and place value this half-term in maths and will be learning to compare, order and read and write numbers up to, and beyond, 1000 as well as solving number and practical problems using place value and number skills. Our mental maths focus is on learning our times tables, up to 12x12! Please support your child at home with this challenge.

Reading

Please encourage your child to read at least three times a week at home, for at least 15 minutes each time, filling in the date, book title, and page number in your child's new reading journal which they will receive soon. Please support your child's understanding of the text by asking questions about what they've read.



Topic - Coastal Explorers!

LKS2's first topic of the year is Coasts. Pupils will learn about cliff erosion, waves and sea defences, conduct a land use survey, and identifying industry, businesses and jobs at the sea-side. As part of our topic and English work, we will be travelling to Whitby to experience a coastline first-hand, as well as exploring Whitby's links with Count Dracula, visiting the famous Abbey and museum.



Science/ Art/ D.T /ICT

Science: Rocks: We shall be grouping and classifying different types of rocks based on their properties as well as understanding how rocks, and fossils, are formed.

Art: We'll be creating collograph prints using resources from the seaside.

ICT: Communication and E-safety. This half-term, we'll learn how to keep safe when using and searching the internet for information and understand how using key words in searches can help us to find information more efficiently.

DI: We are going to look at cooking and preparing a range of healthy dishes using a range of ingredients, including those found at the coast.

P.E

Year 3 and 4 will be covering athletics and netball in PE this half-term.

PE kit should be brought into school every Monday and taken home every Friday for washing. Swimming will be on a Wednesday for Year 4.

MFL - Spanish

Year 3/4 will be very busy in Spanish this half-term with lots to learn! Children will revise how to greet each other, express feelings and ask questions, as well learning numbers up to 50!



R.E/PSHCE

RE: Hindusim — Children will be learning about the religious festival of Divali at home and in the community.

PSHCE: Drug, tobacco and alcohol education.

Important Dates...

- 12.9.18 -Y4 swimming sessions start at Holt Park Active.
- 18.9.18 -Y4 Residential Meeting for parents at 5pm in Class 6.
- 1.10.18 - LKS2 trip to Whitby.
- 26.10.18 - School closes for Half-Term.



Attendance

Thank you for sending your children to school every day and arriving at 8:45 so that we are all ready to begin the days learning. As you know, 'Every Day Counts'



If you have any questions, concerns or want to discuss any aspect of your child's learning, please come and speak to a member of the Year 3/4 teaching team after school, on any day!

