

Year 3/4 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2

The Year 3/4 Teaching Team

Class 5



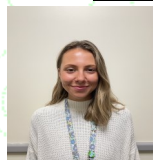
Mr Gamble
(Phase Leader)



Miss Evans



Miss Smith



Miss Bennett



Mr Jennings



Miss Boyd



Mrs Horsley



English

Children will be using the text 'The Animals of Farthing Wood' to inspire their writing. The book is a re-telling of Colin Dann's original and pupils will be using the text to write their own stories, diaries and poems based on the adventures of the animals and their heroic journey, focusing this half-term on using pro-nouns, speech marks and determiners.

Maths

We will be taking our place value knowledge to the next level by investigating the four operations this term. How well do we know the terminology related to each operation? Can we solve word problems efficiently and estimate answers? Each method will be analysed and practised so we feel confident applying these fundamental skills across different areas.

Reading

Please encourage your child to read their school reading book out loud to an adult at least three times a week at home, for at least 15 minutes each time.

Please support your child's understanding of the text by asking questions about what they've read.



Science - States of Matter

We will be comparing and grouping solids, liquids and gasses whilst observing how materials change state depending on temperature. We will investigate the freezing and melting points of certain solids and liquids and learn about creating fair investigations to answer our predictions. We will also learn all about the water cycle and identify the part played by evaporation and condensation.

Forest School/ D.T /Computing

Forest School: Pupils will continue to build upon their Forest Schools skillset by creating fires using flint and steel, whittling wood using knives and sawing larger pieces of wood using bow saws. As a result, pupils will also develop resilience and collaboration skills.

DT: Building a habitat. Pupils will plan, build and evaluate a range of animal habitats including bug hotels and hedgehog homes.

Computing: How Computers Work. This half-term, pupils will learn how computers work, including elements such as the internet, software and apps. In particular, pupils will learn about search engines and how key words are used to rank and filter results.

MFL - French



Year 3/4 will build on their French skills last half term by learning new words and phrases. Not only will pupils learn how to pronounce them, they will also read them in written material.

PSHE

Y3: Keeping safe; at home and school; our bodies; hygiene; medicines and household products

Y4: Respect for self and others; courteous behaviour; safety; human rights.

PE

Year 3 and 4 will be gymnastics and boccia in PE this half-term. Pupils can wear PE kit to school on the day they have PE lessons. Swimming will be on a Wednesday for Year 4.

Important Dates...

- 2.11.21 - Y3 trip to Golden Acre (science and Forest School).
- 4.11.21 - Y4 trip to Golden Acre (science and Forest School).
- 12.11.21 - Y3 trip to Breary Marsh (Forest School).
- 15.11.21 - LKS2 Telephone Parent Consultations. (book via the app).



Attendance



Thank you for sending your children to school every day on time so that we are all ready to begin the days learning. As you know, 'Every Day Counts'

To avoid lost uniform, PE kit, water bottles and packed lunch boxes, please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Name Labels