

Year 3 Learning Letter

Autumn 1



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Dates for your diary

- Monday 9th September - Play Day
- Wednesday 11th September – Year 3 and 4 Meet the Teacher (on Teams), 4pm
- Monday 16th September - World Afro Day
- Monday 23rd September - Breck Parent Workshop 6-7pm (online)
- Tuesday 24th September - Breck workshops for Years 1 to 6
- Thursday 10th October - World Mental Health Day
- Monday 14th October - Show racism the red card (wear red)
- Monday 21st October - Parents' Evening 4-7pm
- Wednesday 23rd October - Parents' Evening 4-7pm
- HALF TERM - W.B. 28th October

Routines

Outdoor Learning - each class will have 2 sessions each half term: 3B Tuesday 17th September & Tuesday 8th October (pm)
3E Tuesday 1st October & Tuesday 15th October (pm)

Indoor PE - Wednesdays
Outdoor PE - Fridays

Home Learning

Maths: Set Friday (weekly) - due following Friday
Spelling Practice: Set Friday (tested fortnightly)

Messages

We have been so pleased with the start the children have made to Year 3; they have settled in extremely well! They all seem so ready for learning, which is lovely.

Bottles - Please ensure your child brings a water bottle in to school every day.

Playtime snacks- Children may bring a healthy snack to eat at morning playtime if you wish (currently fruit is not provided for KS2).

Labelling - Please ensure key items of your child's clothing are labelled, especially coats.

Our Learning Journey

History: Londinium

We are beginning our year with a history-based topic called 'Londinium'. We will set the context of what London was like before and when the Romans invaded, with a focus on Boudicca's Revolt, before finding out about some of the key changes the Roman invasion made.

Outdoor Learning

For the two outdoor learning sessions, please ensure that your child brings suitable clothing on these days, including wellies and waterproof clothing. Check the weather forecast and be prepared for mud!

PE Day

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit: white polo shirt; black/navy jogging bottoms, and trainers. **Please send children to school in their PE kit on these days and long hair should be tied back.**

English

Spellings –

Our spelling focusses will be:

'ow' phoneme spelled ou (e.g. sound)

'u' phoneme spelled ou (e.g. touch)

'i' phoneme spelled y (e.g. myth)

Words ending with sure (e.g. measure)

Words ending with ture (e.g. creature)

Reading

This year, we will be continuing with our whole class model of teaching reading, where we share multiple copies of a text. There are four sessions during the week and hearing children reading aloud is part of the process. We would encourage you to read daily with your child at home and if you would like your child to borrow books from our class library to support this, please send them in with a green Fairlawn book bag.

Writing

We are continuing using 'The Write Stuff' approach in our writing sessions, which was used very successfully in school last year. The text Year 3 will be basing their writing around this half term is 'The Secret of Black Rock' (narrative).

Maths

We started off learning about Roman numerals as it fits so well with our Londinium topic. Other maths focus areas will be addition and subtraction first, making sure children are secure with end of Year 2 concepts and then place value of 3-digit numbers to 1000. The Maths Home Learning sent home each Friday (beginning next week) will give you a picture of what this looks like in school.

Science

In science we are studying 'Movement and Feeding'. We will be learning about nutrition for humans and other animals. We will also learn about the skeletal and muscle systems, discovering the role of these systems and how they work.

PPA

Our non-contact time will be on Friday mornings. Miss Brown will be taking the classes for art/DT and Coach Kyla will be teaching outdoor games.

Contacting teachers (between 8am - 6pm)

If you need to get in touch with us, please drop us an email during work hours (8am - 6pm: Monday - Friday) and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

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Please also ensure that emails/letters regarding pick up arrangements or appointments are sent to the school office and the class teacher.

We are looking forward to getting to know you over the course of the next year!

The Year 3 Team