

Year 3 Newsletter

Mrs Toombs, Mrs Smith and Mr Bodill

June - July 2026

Welcome back Year 3! This half term has a geography focus, and we will be getting out into our local area for some fieldwork to explore and understand our local environment.

Writing

This half term the children will continue writing a Fantasy Description all about a magical or fantastical place. We are using our model text, *'The Magician's Shop'*, to develop our storytelling and writing skills. These include using expanded noun phrases to add intriguing detail as well as precise verbs and adverbs to show how a character behaves. We will then move onto writing a persuasive advert for our Magician's Shop, before ending on a unit of wonderful poetry writing with *'The Land of Possibility'*.

Reading

This half term the children we be reading a lovely chapter book called *'The Wild Way Home'* by Sophie Kirtly. We will explore the text in detail through making inferences, answering different question types. Exploring new vocabulary and making predictions about what we think will happen next. We will also explore the UK through non-fiction and *'The Big Book of the UK'*, refining our skimming and scanning skills before reading in more detail to research.

All children's reading books will be changed each week if they have read at least 3 times a week and have had their planner signed. Remember, children will receive rewards through our raving readers competition if they read frequently.

Please make sure your child has their reading book in school every day.

Maths

The children will continue to develop their knowledge of time, including the vital skill of telling the time on both analogue and digital clocks and gaining an understanding of the passing of time within a day, month and year. They will then learn more about shape, including recognising different degree of turns and angles, straight lines and 2D and 3D shapes. Finally, the children will explore statistics through interpreting and drawing pictograms and bar charts.

Homework

Homework is set every Friday on IXL. Tasks set will be based on that week's learning. Please support your child at home to complete the tasks set.

PE

PE is Basketball on the following days:

Neil Armstrong Class - Monday afternoon (indoor) and Tuesday afternoon (indoor)

Delia Derbyshire Class - Monday afternoon (indoor) and Thursday afternoon (indoor)

Remember to send your child into school in their PE kit on the above days. Please make sure they are wearing suitable trainers, **black jogging bottoms** and a **black jumper**.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to get in touch by phone or at the door at home time.

Many thanks,

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Important Dates:

- Training day (school closed) – Tuesday 7th July
- Last day of term – Tuesday 21st July



You can help by:

Please help your child to recall multiplication and division facts in the 3x, 5x and 8x tables.

Listening to your child read and sharing stories with them, as well as asking questions about the book. Encourage your child to make predictions about what might happen in a book and to give their opinions on a text, using it to support their answers.

Helping your child with any further research they wish to do on the topics we are covering in school.