

Year 3 Curriculum Letter – Autumn 1 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to year 4

We are looking forward to a great year ahead including special events and trips. This half term includes the following academy events and deeper days:

- Hello Yellow and Just One Tree Day – 11th October
- Workshop – Anti-bullying 3rd October
- Tea and Talk - Welcome to Year 3 – Timestables Rockstars and Accelerated Reader 18th October
- Tea and Talk – Safeguarding Date TBC
- Workshop – Approach to Behaviour Date TBC

Core learning	<p>In writing we will be writing about The Ocean, The Forest, Black History Month and musical instruments. We will be writing for different audiences and purposes including to entertain through stories and to inform about historical events. This half term we have a writing for enjoyment session linked to...</p> <p>In whole class reading we will be looking at some of the following texts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How To Train Your Dragon• Hodgeheg• The Iron Woman <p>Each week we have a reading for pleasure session where children can share their recommended reads. We have visit times to our library on Friday afternoons.</p> <p>In maths we will be covering the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read, write, order and compare numbers to 10,000.• Rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000• Select and use a range of strategies to add and subtract <p>Each week we engage in TTRS with a focus on our 3, 4, 6 and 8 times tables.</p>
Skills	<p>In skills lessons we will be engaging in lessons linked to the following areas:</p> <p>Music - 'Mamma Mia' Computing – Information Technology French – Presenting Myself</p>
Connected curriculum	<p>Our focus unit this half term is called How Do I See? How Do I Hear? This is a science-based unit with connections across the curriculum. This covers the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognising light sources and that we need light to see and that light can be reflected from different surfaces.• Recognising that shadows are formed when light is blocked and how their size can change.• Identifying that sounds are made by objects vibrating and how they travel to the ear.
Faith, Health and Wellbeing	<p>During Faith and well-being lessons we will be learning about:</p> <p>RSHE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are good lifestyle choices? (sleep, diet and exercise)• Is it ever ok to keep a secret?• What is diversity? <p>RE</p>

What do different people believe about God?

Homework

Your child will bring home a homework book that includes the overview, knowledge organiser and spellings. A copy of the overview will be sent to your MCAS account.

Spellings will be tested on Fridays.



Phonics



As a reading first school, we promote daily reading. Your child will bring home an Accelerated Reader book and will use the online quizzes to support comprehension.



We also support children in their number recall and multiplication facts. Your child will have a log in for TTRockstars and we encourage daily practice for at least 6 minutes a day.

PE day and PE Kit

Our PE day is on a Thursday. Please ensure that your child comes to school dressed in the correct PE uniform and with earrings removed or covered. Variations to PE uniform will be challenged including footwear.

Labelled belongings

Please remember to label items including lunch boxes and bags (locker size – small). Children are to bring refillable drink bottles each day, metal bottles are discouraged.

**Our children have produced a healthy snack policy. This will be sent home to guide 'snacks' for breaktime.*

We are excited for the year ahead and look forward to working in partnership with you.

Year 4 Team

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