



YEAR 3 SUMMER TERM 1 CLASS NEWSLETTER

Growing a Loving, Happy and Flourishing Community

Love your neighbour as yourself. [Matthew 22: 37-39](#)
I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. [John 10:10](#)

Maths

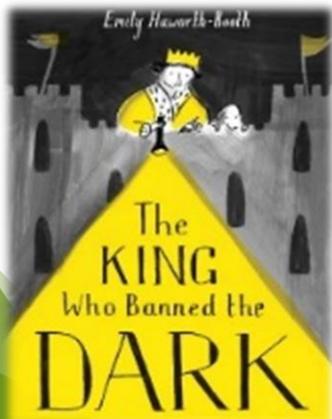
In Maths this half term we will be continuing to learn about fractions. After we finish this unit of work, we will then be moving onto learning about statistics. We will be learning how to read and interpret information and data displayed in pictograms, bar charts and tables. We will then be manipulating this information to solve one and two step problems.

This half term children will be using Times Table Rockstars regularly to help them develop their rapid recall of multiplication facts. Please help your child to practise their recall of multiplication facts on a regular basis. This is accessible at school and at home.



English

This half term in English we will be continuing to read the book 'The Firebird' to explore playscripts. We will then be reading the book 'The King Who Banned the Dark'. We will be using this book to write a fictional newspaper report. This unit of work will provide the children with lots of opportunities to develop their writing and build upon their understanding of using direct speech based on interviews with the characters in the story.



Accelerated Reader

This half term, your child will continue engaging with the Accelerated Reader Programme. They will select texts from the school library and will complete online comprehension quizzes before they change their books. Please ensure that you provide your child with opportunities to read aloud regularly as this will help to develop their reading fluency and use of expression. In addition to this, children will take part in weekly guided reading sessions.



Science

In Science we will be studying light and dark. We will begin to understand and notice that light is reflected from surfaces as well as recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by a solid object. We will carry out investigations to help us find patterns and understand how the size of shadows change. We will also learn about how light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect ourselves from its harmful UV rays.



Topic

This half term our foundation subjects will be taught within a new, exciting cross-curricular topic based on 'The Ancient Romans'. We will be learning about the Roman invasions as well as the many innovations the Romans invented/built. We will also be learning about the significant figure Boudicca.

In Art, we will be recreating our own Roman mosaics and in Religious Education we will be

learning about a range of different religion's creation stories and what these teach us about the world.



Collective Worship

Our Christian Value for this half term is **Perseverance**. During Collective Worship, we will be listening to stories from the bible which demonstrate perseverance and thinking about how we can apply this value to our own lives in school and at home.

Spellings

We will continue to send weekly lists of spellings home for children to practise reading and writing. Most spellings will be linked to rules that the children have been introduced to during their discrete spelling lessons. The hope is that once children have learnt a rule they will be able to use it in order to help them spell a wider range of unfamiliar words. Other words may be from the statutory word curriculum lists. Children will be tested on these on a weekly basis.



P.E.

This half term we will be doing dance during indoor PE. Pupils will create dances in relation to an idea including historical and scientific stimuli. Pupils work individually, with a partner and in small groups, sharing their ideas. Pupils will also develop their use of counting and rhythm and learn to use canon, unison, formation and levels in their dances. They will be given the opportunity to perform to others and provide feedback using key terminology.

During outdoor PE this half term we will be focusing on developing our Athletics skills. In this unit, pupils will develop basic running, jumping and throwing techniques. They will be set challenges for distance and time that involve using different styles and combinations of running, jumping and throwing. As in all athletic activities,

pupils will think about how to achieve their greatest possible speed, distance or accuracy and learn how to persevere to achieve their personal best. Pupils are also given opportunities to measure, time and record scores.

Reminders

We encourage children to bring a bottle of water and a healthy snack to school. Please ensure this snack is either a piece of fruit, vegetables or a yoghurt. Snacks can be consumed during break time.

Ways to help at home

- Read with your child 5 times weekly and filling in their reading diary.
- Support them with practising their spellings and engaging with Spelling Shed.
- Encourage them to practise rapid recall of their 3, 4 and 8 timetables and using TT Rockstars 3 times a week.
- Support the Christian Value of Perseverance.