

Year Three Newsletter – Autumn Term



Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Summer break and we would like to welcome to an exciting year of learning in Year Three!

Diary Dates for this half term

Monday 2, 3 4th September – INSET Days
Thursday 5th September – Visitor from “Kanna Adventures”
Friday 20th September – School photos
Tuesday 24th September – Visit to Open Centre in Derby
Thursday 3rd October – Visitor from Operation Orphan
Wednesday 20th November - Flu vaccinations
Thursday 5th December – Panto trip
Tuesday 17th December – Enquiry showcase
Friday 20th December – Last day
Monday 6th January – Back to school

Times Table Rockstars

It is vital that your child keeps up with their multiplication recall as this will benefit their learning in the classroom. Not only this, but their efforts will be identified in our new times tables challenge that will happen weekly. If your child cannot remember their logins, please contact me and I will provide the details required.

Homework

On Dojo, you have access to our home learning menus. This is a great and fun way of further supporting your child's learning at home. Don't forget to upload your work to Dojo to gain 5 Dojo points! These can be done at any point up until the end of the term.



Enquiry

Our enquiry this term is a Geography theme. Throughout our enquiry sessions this term we are going to be answering the question, **“Is one place better than another?”** Each week we will be building up our knowledge to answer our main question.

This term we will be looking at:

Week 1 – We will start our learning by learning exciting facts about Europe from a visitor from ‘Kanna Adventures’. As well as locating countries and cities in Europe.

Week 2 – We will learn about all the layers that make up the inside of our Earth!

Week 3 – We will be learning about the interesting climates within Italy.

Week 4 – With a special visit from Operation Orphan, we will learn about how natural disasters occur and how people manage.

Week 5 – In D and T we will design an emergency box suitable for those who are more likely to suffer from a natural disaster.

Week 6 – We will create our wonderful product! These will go towards our donations for Operation Orphan.

Week 7 – In Geography, we will compare the climate of Italy to the UK.

Week 8 – We will compare the human features of Italy to the UK such as population.

Week 9 – We will compare life in Italy to life in the UK.

Week 10 – In Music, we will compare Italian styles of music to those in the UK.

Week 11 – We will learn about Italian art and architecture and compare this to the UK. Also, we will learn how culture contributes to our identities.

Week 12 – We will create our final piece of learning by creating a speech commenting/debating on whether one place is better than another.

PE



Monday & Wednesday
Children should come to school in PE kit with earrings removed. This term we are taking part in Netball activities.

Reading



It is essential that pupils are encouraged to read at home to develop their fluency, vocabulary and it will open many more doors to their learning.

Please remember to write in their reading diaries each time you read together, as each time they read three or more times a week, they get entered into a prize draw each week to win a prize! One child from each class is chosen and then an overall winner is drawn from those to win the trophy!

For fairness, we will be counting two reads a day as one, reading at school will count and parents should be the only person signing records for reading at home.

Please ensure your child has their name in all their belongings to prevent them being lost.