



# Year 3 Newsletter

## Welcome to Spring 1!

Dear parents/carers,

I hope you have had a fantastic break and you are ready for the Spring term! Thank you for all of your support so far this year. We have lots of exciting new topics this term which are as follows:

### Maths

We are working on multiplication and division and length and the perimeter of shapes.

### English

We will be focusing our writing on Mummies Unwrapped by Tom Froese and Secrets of the Sun King by Emma Carroll. We will be writing a non-chronological report and a newspaper report based on these texts.

### Reading

We will be reading the two texts mentioned above and delving deeper into our inference, prediction and retrieval skills during story time. We will also be continuing our fluency and prosody skills in small reading groups!

### History

Our focus this term will be on the Ancient Egyptians and how they lived. We will be looking at how they used the River Nile to survive as well as the creation of their pyramids and the ancient tombs underneath them.

### Science

We will be examining forces, examining different types of magnets and investigating the role of friction and how it impacts force. For example, can a car move more easily on sand or concrete?

### Geography

This term, we will be focusing on climate zones and how these zones have different weather patterns particularly shown through precipitation and temperature.

### DT

This half term, we will have the opportunity to make, design and evaluate our own desk organiser or pencil case!

### PSHE

Our key focus is citizenship. The main topics will be on the rights of the child, different buildings within our community and different charities and their purposes.

### RE

The question we will be exploring: How do Jews use stories to remember God's covenant? Some of our key words are covenant, prayer, belief, passover, Torah and Kosher.

### Computing

Our internet safety will be based on when being online can make us upset and how to deal with this. We will also be using the Micro:bit equipment!

### PE

We will be focusing on gymnastics and hockey.

### Music

We will be continuing our Ukelele lessons and learning some new songs.

### Spanish

We will be learning how to say dates, such as months and days, whilst retrieving our knowledge of numbers from previous years.

### **Homework expectations**

- Weekly Mathletics tasks
- Spelling shed spellings (test taken at school)

### **Important Information**

- Your child should be coming to school in school uniform, pumps and bringing a water bottle.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Handwriting homework based on Ed Shed spellings. Please bring this book in on a Monday.</li><li>• Half-termly homework grids.</li><li>• Daily reading at home</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit.</li></ul>
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