

September 2022

Dear All,

It hasn't been the start to the academic year that we all hoped for for your children after a very unsettled last academic year. As you know, changes have been made with staffing at school to ensure that from now on Class 3 children experience stability. I am excited to be teaching Class 3 while Mr Petts is unable to come to school. I will try my best to ensure that your child's needs are met so that they are happy at school and that they are able to meet their potential. They are amazing children and they deserve the best!

Here is a summary of the exciting half term planned for Class 3:

English - We are exploring interesting non-fiction writing including writing a transmission from space (linked to our Science topic) and a speech (linked to Geography). As part of this we will be practising spelling, and appropriate punctuation and grammar.

Maths - All children will start by learning about place value (Y5 working with numbers up to at least 1,000,000 and Y6 up to 10,000,000) They will read, write, order and compare numbers, round numbers and look at negative numbers. After this we will move onto addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also be doing daily times table practice. You can help your child by practising these at home too.

Spelling- All children do spelling every day.

Science - We will be learning about the solar system.

Topics – In Geography we will find out about our impact on landscapes and about extreme weather events.

RE – Why do some people believe God exists? (with Mrs Bacon)

PSHE - Health and wellbeing: How can we keep healthy as we grow?

Design and technology – Children will learn about the design process and design and make an exciting model linked to our space theme.

PE – Swimming

Computing - We will be exploring online privacy and safety.

Music - We (including me) are all going to learn the ukelele as well as exploring pulse and rhythm and developing our singing.

French - with Mrs Bacon

Other information

Homework Homework is given out on a Friday and needs to be handed in by the following Thursday. Homework will relate to things studied during the week so that key concepts and skills can be practised. Your assistance is very welcome!

Reading As your child progresses through KS2, it is still very important for you to listen to and discuss their reading. It is equally as important for them to have a regular chance to listen to you reading.

Bikeability This half term children will also have three sessions of bikeability training to take the children to bikeability level 2.

Timetable. Attached is a timetable to show the kind of activities your child may do at school. The timetable can be flexible so it is just to give you an idea of what we might do each day. It is likely to change.

Reminders

- Please make sure all your child's belongings have their name on so we can return them to you.
- Make sure your child has a water bottle and waterproof coat in school every day.
- PE kits should be in school all the time.
- It would be great if your child has wellies in school all the time.

I am about if you have any queries, or you can email me or catch me before or after school to make an appointment. mrsscott@grindlefordprimaryschool.co.uk

I am really excited about the new school year with Class 3 and to be working with you all.

Regards,

Mrs Scott