



Year 3 Learning Letter

Hello and welcome back!

We hope you have had a lovely half term break and enjoyed all the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. We are so excited for our new areas of learning and for all the fantastic work Year 3 will be focusing on throughout the last few weeks of the school year. Miss Garside, Mrs Joynson and Mrs Lawrenson



Our Year 3 Twitter is: @Year3Monksdown

Why not follow us and see all of the fantastic work we have been doing!

English:



This half term we are reading the book *Zeraffa Giraffa* by Diana Hoffmeyer. This is the true story of Zeraffa, a giraffe who was sent as a gift from Egypt to France in 1826. The King of France builds Zeraffa a special house in the Jardin des Plantes.

Our writing outcome will be to write a persuasive guide for visiting Zeraffa in the Jardin des Plantes.

During this unit, we will be recapping skills and introducing new skills. We use the proper grammatical terms with the children throughout all of our English work.

We will be learning how to:

- Build an increasing range of sentence structures.
- Use organisational devices, including headings and sub-headings to aid presentation.
- Use present and past tenses correctly.

Important information for you

If you are sending your child in with a water bottle, please make sure it is only water rather than juice.

Reading books will be changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

PE days for each class are:

3.1	3.2	3.3
Thursday	Monday	Thursday

Please read the homework grid on the other side for Year 3 homework.

Maths:

This half term we will focus our learning on money and time. We will continue to recap our basic arithmetic daily.

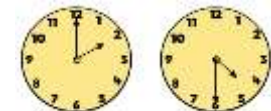
Money:

The children will learn to count, add and subtract amounts of money. We will then move on to problem solving using money in real-life situations.



Time:

The children will recap telling the time to the hour, half hour and quarter of an hour, before moving on to telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes and then the nearest minute. We will also look at the 24-hour clock.



It will be VITAL that children know, and can recall quickly, their times tables. Please practise daily using TT Rockstars.

Wider Curriculum in Year 3

Geography - We will be going on a European road trip this half term! The children will learn the different countries which are in Europe and find out some of the human and physical geographical features of particular countries.

DI - We will be focusing on making a healthy and simple snack this half term. The children will explore different sandwich fillings and the steps needed to make a sandwich before having a go at designing and making their own sandwich.

Computing - Using the graphic design website Canva, the children will learn how to produce a promotional poster. Their end product will be a promotional tourist guide for a country or capital city in Europe.

PSHE - This half term's topic is Changing Me. During this topic, the children will learn about the different changes that humans go through as we grow up.

RE - The children will investigate different religious and spiritual ways of life, focusing particularly on prayer. They will explore different religions' practice, symbols, words and look at the significance of prayer alongside some key beliefs about prayer. This will allow the children to develop their own thoughtful ideas and viewpoints about prayer.

Home Learning Challenges

This is work that should be done each week

Essential work

Read for 20 minutes at home each day. This can be on Bug Club or your books from school.



Essential work

Practise your times tables on TTRockstars or number bonds on Numbots.



Essential work

Practise your sounds or spellings each night. They are given out on Mondays and tested on Fridays.

Music



Think about the lessons we have had playing the ukulele. Draw and label a picture of a ukulele. Remember to include the names of the strings.

Can you write a set of instructions for how to make a sandwich?



STAR CHALLENGES

Can you produce a poster which teaches someone how to add and subtract fractions?



We'll be learning about countries in Western, Eastern and Southern Europe. Can you research a country in Northern Europe and produce an informative poster about it?



Thinking back to the work we did on the book *Journey* by Aaron Becker; can you write what you think happens next after the story finished?



Can you produce a piece of graffiti art in the style of Paul Curtis or Banksy?



Sticky Learning

Can you draw out a diagram which maps out your home network?



Sticky Learning

Can you draw a diagram and annotate it explaining the lifecycle of a plant?



Can you research and produce a poster about all of the British monarchs who have celebrated a coronation since 1066?

