

Year 3 Learning Letter

Hello and welcome back!

We hope you have had a relaxing and enjoyable half term break. We are really looking forward to our new areas of learning and for all the fantastic work that Year 3 will be completing throughout the start of the Summer Term!

Mr Allen, Mr Wignall and Miss Bedson

Important information for you

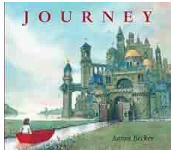
- Reading books will be changed every week. Please ensure your child reads each night and brings their book back into school.

- PE days for each class are:

3.1	3.2	3.3
Wednesday	Monday	Monday

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

English:



This half term we are reading the book *Journey* by Aaron Becker. It's a non-fiction, wordless book about a girl who escapes on an extraordinary journey of magic and adventure! Throughout the book we will use our inference skills, build vocabulary and articulate and justify answers.

During this unit, we will recap previously taught skills and introduce new skills. We use the proper grammatical terms with the children throughout all of our English work.

We will be learning how to:

- Use the present perfect form of verbs.
- Use prepositions, conjunctions and adverbs.
- Group related ideas into paragraphs.
- Use a or an.

Our writing outcome will be to write an adventure story based on 'Journey' using the language of Berlie Doherty.

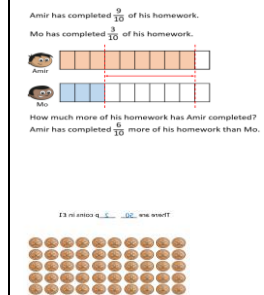
Maths:

This half term we will consolidate our learning on Fractions, before moving on to learn about Money. We will continue to recap our basic arithmetic skills daily.

Fractions and Money

Fractions: We will work on adding and subtracting fractions and be able to partition the whole.

Money: In this unit we will learn to convert pounds and pence and add money. We will be able to subtract money and give change.



It will be VITAL that children know, and can recall quickly, their times tables, especially 2, 5, 10 and 3, 4, and 8s. Please practise daily using TTRockStars.

Wider Curriculum in Year 3

History - We will be learning about our brand-new topic of Ancient Civilisations. In this topic, we will look at where and when the first civilisations appeared. These civilisations will include Ancient Sumer, The Indus Valley, Ancient Egypt, The Shang Dynasty and Ancient China.

Science - We will be learning about Plants. We will name the different parts of a plant and their functions and investigate what a plant needs in order to survive.

Art- In Art we will be exploring sculpture. We will analyse different artists' work and learn how to create texture in the style of Luidin Kudo before producing our own fruit sculpture.

Computing - We will be looking at how things work including networks. The children will understand what a computer is and explore how a computer network works.

RE - The children will explore what different people believe about God, focussing on Christianity and Islam. They will be able to explain their own thoughts and beliefs about God.

Home Learning Challenges

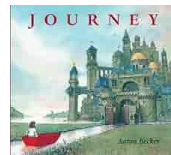
This is work that should be done each week:



Essential work

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

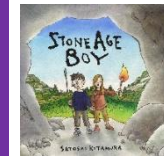
Can you produce a piece of writing about a journey you have been on?



Can you create a fact file about The Indus Valley?



STAR CHALLENGES



Can you write a historical story about Ancient Egypt in the style of *Stone Age Boy*?

Essential work
Practise your times tables on TTRockStars or number bonds on Numbots.



Can you write a book review for one of the books we have read in class so far this year?



Can you create a drawing of a plant with the parts fully labelled?
Can you explain their functions?



Can you produce a diagram explaining the process of the water cycle?



Essential work
Practise your sounds or spellings and HF words. They are given on Mondays and tested on Fridays.

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b

c

Sticky Learning
Can you create a fact file about Whales? Include information such as what whales eat and where they live.



Sticky Learning
Can you create a non-chronological report about the River Mersey? Where does it start? Where does it end?

Can you create a boardgame to help you learn and practise the 3, 4, 6 and 8 times tables?

