



Year 2 Dymchurch Term 3 Newsletter

Welcome back to term 3! I hope you all had a relaxing Christmas break.

I am very excited to be taking over as class teacher this term and we have already started working very hard this week, the children have impressed me! We have lots of exciting learning planned for Term 3 which I can't wait to share with the children.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask and I look forward to getting to know you and your wonderful children this term.

Mrs Bennett

Maths 1 2 3

As part of our maths learning, we will be focusing on multiplication and division. We will be learning that multiplication is repeated addition and division is repeated subtraction. The children will be using a range of resources to show and support this learning. Then, the children will build arrays for both multiplication and division statements. They will also explore the idea that multiplication is the inverse of division. Shape will be the focus of our topic maths learning this term. We will be identifying the properties of a growing range of 2D and 3D shapes. We will be comparing and sorting these shapes and identifying 2D shapes on faces of 3D shapes.



In English, we will be exploring non – chronological reports. We will be looking at the features of this text type and we will be writing our own. We will be recapping how to use an exclamation mark in a sentence. We will also have a go at writing explanation texts and diaries using the appropriate features. To add extra information to a sentence we will be using co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions.



Science

This term the focus of our science learning will be about materials. We will discuss and explore the suitability of materials for different purposes. We will link this to our learning about London in the past to choose suitable materials to rebuild St Paul's Cathedral.

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

Keep Up with Times Table Rockstars! Let's all work towards being Rock Legends and Rock Heroes!

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>

When using the internet at home, please encourage your child to use the safe search engine **Kiddle**.

www.kiddle.co/

This site is run by Google and has safe search functions built into it to help protect children.



Reminders:

- PE kits for PE lessons on Fridays, earrings should be left at home.
- Spellings are given out termly. This will be included in the home learning.
- Record minutes read for **Buster's Book Club** each Wednesday on the bookmark and ask an adult to sign it.



- Daily reading record to be signed. Will you read an **Academy Reading Challenge** book this term?
- Home learning is issued termly and can be handed in when completed.
- Correct uniform please, including shoes. Boots may be worn during the winter months. Any problems or concerns, please write a note in the student's home contact book.
- Please check the school calendar for upcoming events.
- Earring need to be plain silver or gold studs.
- Please label your children's clothes clearly.

Great Fire of London

In creative curriculum this term, we are going to be learning about The Great Fire of London and how it changed London. We will be learning about how the fire started, what happened when it spread and how London was rebuilt after it. We will also be exploring how we know about the fire and using different sources to learn about it.

In Art, we are going to creating artwork using different drawing techniques. We will be using different dots and lines to create images and shading, finishing up with a drawing of St Paul's Cathedral using these techniques.

In RE, we will be exploring the question 'What can we learn from sacred books?' We will be discussing and learning about a range of stories in sacred books and how this influences the teaching of different values and beliefs.

In PE, we will be focusing on gymnastics. Children will be introduced to rolls and shapes. They will learn how to roll in different ways and how to make shapes with their bodies both lying down on the floor and standing up.

In Computing, students will be focusing on the 'Information Technology' strand of computing. We will be exploring how we can present information in different ways. This will include branching databases. Children will also explore and create their own stop motion animation. **As always, we will be teaching the children during every lesson how to be safe and responsible online citizens.**

In PSHE, we will be answering the question 'What jobs do people do?' We will be looking at how people earn money, how adults choose what job to do, and how different strengths can influence this choice. We will also be discussing how people use the internet and digital devices in their jobs and everyday lives.

Thank you for reading our newsletter.

If there is anything you would like to discuss, please contact me via your child's contact book or our class email year2@stmartins.kent.sch.uk.