

Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter

Year 1, 2 and 3 – The Lower Phase

Welcome back to a new term. This newsletter will inform you about the curriculum your child will be learning over the next term. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

We are all very excited about the fun learning that we have in place for the next term and we look forward to sharing it with you!

The Lower Phase Team

Mr Morris, Mr Westmore, Mrs Leonard, Mrs Cragg, Miss Watts, Miss Powell, Miss Davies

Literacy

In Literacy this term children will read and write using the following genres of writing as a model:

- Finding Tale
- Portal story
- Persuasive Text
- Poetry
- Information text
- Instructions



Children will read around each genre and be taught the success criteria for producing writing in this form. Children will have the opportunity in a 'Hot Write' to create a piece of extended writing in the style of the genre studied. Children will complete reading comprehension exercises around the genre studied and receive

Maths

Over the next term the children will be looking at the following areas of maths:

- Mental and written arithmetic
- Addition and subtraction (year 1)
- Measures
- Multiplication and division (years 2 and 3)
- Fractions
- Statistics
- Money



PE

Every week the children will have the opportunity to take part in 2 PE sessions. The children will need to bring the following clothing; trainers/pumps, a white t shirt and either black shorts or black jogging bottoms (please label your child's clothing). The child may also wish to bring a jacket if the weather is dry, but chilly.

Year 1 - Monday and Wednesday

Year 2 - Wednesday and Friday

Year 3 - Tuesday and Friday

HOMEWORK				
HOMEWORK GRID	Given out at the beginning of every term	This will consist of a 2x3 grid with a variety of different activities. Your child should choose and complete one.	Several hours over the half term	To be returned on the 1 st April 2019
SPELLINGS	Every Monday. Spelling test on a Friday for Year3	Children will have several spellings to practise. This will vary by year group.	20 minutes	The homework doesn't need to be handed in
MATHS/LITERACY	Every Wednesday returned Monday	This homework will alternate each week between maths and literacy related to their spellings and work in class. Year 1 homework will normally be sent via Class Dojo Years 2 and 3 will be in their books	30 minutes	The homework will need to be handed in a on Monday for Years 2 and 3
READING	On-going	At least 15 minutes sustained reading 3 x per week. Dairies will need to be signed by a parent or carer.	15 mins	Reading Diaries will be needed every day.

Creative Curriculum

This term the children's topic will be 'Ancient Egyptians'. The children will be learning all about where Egypt is in the world and how the River Nile enabled Ancient Egyptian culture to flourish. They will also be learning all about Howard Carter and Tutankhamun and the process of mummification. In D&T they will have the opportunity to make a shaduf which they used to move water. In Art they will practice colouring mixing and will be creating some art related to the Ancient Egyptians.