



THE RADSTONE
Primary School

Summer Term

Year 3 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to the Summer term! We hope that you had a good Easter break and are looking forward to the exciting term ahead. The children have come back full of beans and we hope that they enjoy the activities we have planned for them over the next few months. Similarly to last term, if any issues arise which you would like to discuss, please feel free to contact the school office to arrange a phone call with

The Year 3 Team

Mrs R Pantrey,

Mrs L Tseronis &

Mrs L Homans

Class Teachers

**Miss C Pepper,
Mrs C Woodward &
Mrs V Underhill**

Teaching Assistants

Mrs J Keites
PE Teacher

Mrs K Fulford
Art Teacher

Ms L Wickham
Music Teacher

Ms B Fanthorpe
French Teacher

Subject Overviews

English

This term we will begin with learning how to write a non-fiction report. We will be researching pangolins and their habitats, and write our report using sub headings and paragraphs. We will then move onto our unit on instructions for making a magic potion. We will learn about imperative verbs, technical terms and using simple, precise language. In the second half of the term, our learning will include writing a biography on a historical figure. We will practise writing continuously in the third person, writing in chronological order and explore different methods of research. In addition to this, we will continue to work on developing the children's reading, comprehension, handwriting and spelling skills.

Maths

This term we will continue with our work on fractions where we will learn about recognising fractions, fractions of numbers, equivalent fractions, and comparing, adding and subtracting fractions. Following this, we will be working on money, time, properties of shape and statistics. In all lessons, we will continue to encourage the children to achieve mastery with their mathematical knowledge before applying their skills to find solutions to reasoning and problem-solving questions.

Science

We will begin the term in Science by completing work on Plant Life Cycles, where the children will learn about the parts of the plant and photosynthesis, before learning about the role each part of a flowering plant plays in plant reproduction. In the 2nd half term the children will be learning about Light and Shadow. The children will learn about different sources of light, how we see things, how reflections work, how shadows are created and changed in size, and the dangers of sunlight.

Computing

This term, we will move back onto the laptops and explore desktop publishing. We will build our skills and knowledge of MS Word, including using different fonts, colours, images and formatting.

Events

Friday 19th April

Projects Due

Wednesday 5th June

Class photos

Tuesday 18th June

FORPS Wet and Wild
Run

Tuesday 2nd July 6pm

New to year 4
information evening

Monday 8th July 2:30

End of year sharing
session

Wednesday 10th July

Sports Day

Friday 12th July

Theatre performance at
TRPS

Wednesday 17th July

Reserve sports day

Friday 19th July

End of term picnic

French

This term we will be starting the topic of Transport, at the end of which the children will be able to describe different methods of transport in French and say how they get to school, etc.

Humanities

This half term we will move on to a new History unit on The Anglo-Saxons. The children will learn why the Romans abandoned Britain, compare the appearances, weapons and ways of life of the Romans and Anglo-Saxons and find out how the Anglo-Saxons ruled Britain. They will also be comparing life in Anglo-Saxon times to the way that we live in Britain today. After half term we will finish the year with a Geography unit; Journeys, Maps and Compasses. In our Religious Education lessons, we will be studying Sikhism. This will involve looking at stories, symbols and places of worship for Sikhs.

PSHE

This term in PSHE the children will be focusing on the theme 'Growing and Changing'. We will be learning about relationships, different types of secrets and basic first aid.

PE

Cricket

Year 3 will be doing cricket and will be improving the skills involved in striking and fielding activities. They will learn the basic principles of the batting and bowling techniques as well as improving their confidence throwing and catching as a fielder.

Athletics

After half term Year 3 will be developing their athletics skills and improving their running, jumping and throwing technique in a range of activities ready for sports day!

Throughout the Summer Term Year 3 will also have the opportunity to work with a dance coach from MK Dance Theatre to experience and learn key skills associated with contemporary dance.

Art

In Art and Design this term, we will be exploring the portraiture work by the modern artist Chris Ofili. Inspired by his style, we will create our own portrait paintings. We will also be developing our 3D modelling skills using a variety of recycled materials.

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