Year 3 Newsletter

Autumn 2—2026/27

Reading

This half term, we will be finishing reading The Fastest Boy in the World and then moving onto Stig of the Dump by Clive King.

The children will continue to develop their fluency and vocabulary knowledge as well as learning how to answer comprehension questions about the text.

Writing

In writing this half term, the children will be writing a journey story and beginning to use speech in our writing.

The children will the be writing instructions using a model text inspired by the book 'How to Wash a Wooly Mammoth' They will be exploring how to organise their writing to make their instructions clear to their reader.

Maths

In maths, the children will continue to learn to use a formal method to add and subtract numbers.

They will then learn to count and solve problems involving multiples of 5, 10, 3 and 4.

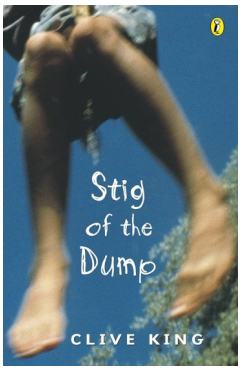
Key Dates

SHP Pantomime Trip —1st December

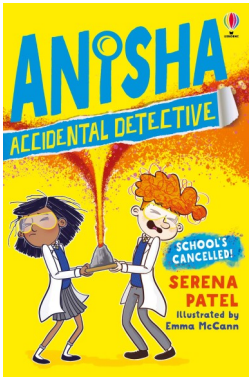
RHS Wisley trip— 17th March

Ufton Court Viking Trip— 23rd June

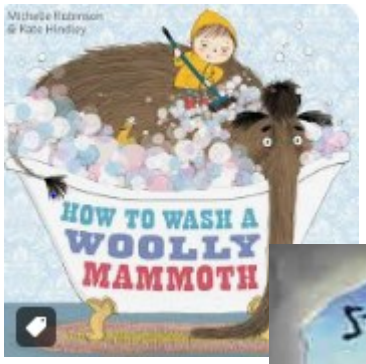
Whole Class Reading Book



Class Read



Suggested Books for Reading





Science



In Science this half-term, the children will be looking at animals including humans. They will be learning about skeletons and muscles and how they provide structure and allow movement. They will work scientifically by observing and carrying out fair tests.

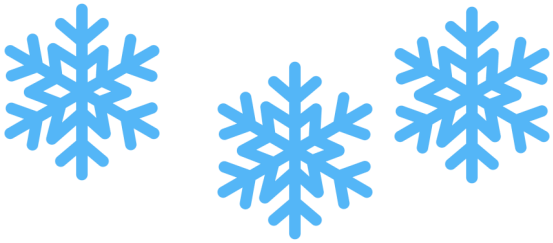
History

In History this half –term, the children will be learning about some of the key changes which occurred between the Stone Age and Iron Age. They will be finding out about how archaeologists use clues from artefacts and cave paintings to understand what life was like. They will also be comparing the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic eras.



Art / DT

Year 3 do not have a specific Art or DT focus this term, however as the festive season approaches, the children will be taking part in a variety of Christmas-related craft activities.



PE

In Indoor PE this term, the children will learn, develop and apply travel and rotation on the floor, with hand apparatus and partner work through focused skill development, sequence creation and games.

In outdoor PE, children will develop their agility and coordination through tag rugby. They will learn the basic rules of the game from a visiting rugby coach.

RE

In RE, the children will be learning about Religious Festivals focusing mainly on Hinduism and Christianity and how ancient stories influence modern day celebrations .





Music



The children will begin their first music topic of year 3 this half term called Reading Rhymes. They will be looking at patterns and layers in music by copying body percussion patterns whilst maintain a steady beat, creating their own body percussion and performing them in small groups. They will also be taught how to recall the note lengths of crotchets, paired quavers and crochet rests.

French



Les animaux (animals)

The children will learn 10 familiar animals and be introduced to the 1st person singular high frequency verb 'I am'. By the end of the unit they will be able to recognise, recall, remember and spell up to 10 animals with their indefinite article. This is one of the first sentence building units where the children will have the knowledge and skills to be able create short phrases with nouns and determiners.

PSHE

This half-term, the children will be completing lessons from the 'Celebrating Difference' puzzle. This puzzle focuses on building relationships with others, conflict resolution and celebrating differences.

