

Year 3

Welcome back to another school year. I hope you had a lovely summer break and enjoyed the warm weather!

We are Miss Slater and Mrs Howard and Mr Walmsley and we will be teaching your child this academic year. We are looking forward to providing many exciting learning experiences for your child this first busy half term.

We hope you find this letter valuable and look forward to meeting you all.

RWI

Children will continue with their Read Write Inc activities that introduce new sounds and unfamiliar spelling patterns.

Consolidation will take place through reading and writing activities from 'Henry's Freedom Box'.

English

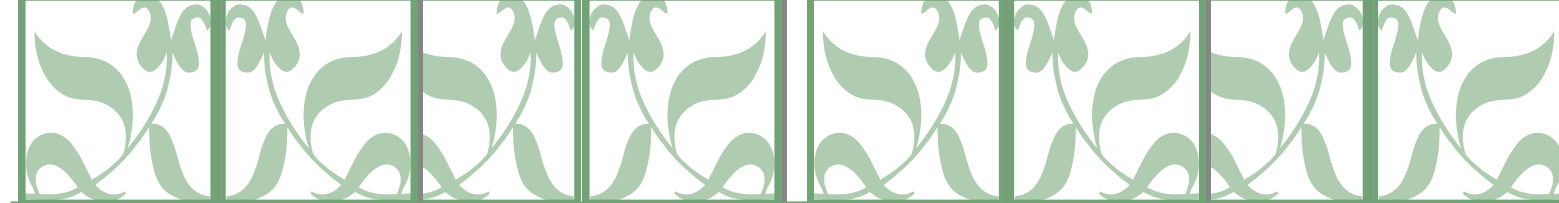
This half term we will be looking at the fiction text '*Henry's Freedom Box*' by Kadir Nelson and Ellen Levine. The sessions will give opportunity for your child to develop their reading and writing skills, with tasks surrounding comprehension, spelling and grammar. We will look at writing a diary entry of Henry's journey, writing a letter to Doctor Henry and creating a character profile of Henry.

Maths

Children will look at place value and number during the first few weeks e.g 132 has 1 hundred, 3 tens and 2 units. We will be recapping the timetables learnt in year 2 ready to move the children on to their 4's and 8's. Children will be practising counting in 100's, 10's and 1's from any number. Towards the end of the term, children will also be looking at properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

Science

Your child will be investigating light. They will use their enquiry skills to answer questions such as, 'How do we see' and 'What makes the biggest shadow puppet'.



French

Your child will have half an hour of French taught by our specialist teacher, Madame Woodcock.

Art

We will be looking at creating a silhouette of Africa to go along with Black History Month.

Study Unit

'What was special about Harriet Tubman?' Children will become familiar with timelines to be able to order historical events. They will learn the terms AD and BC. They will learn about the slave trade and how it occurred in America.

Anchor words: event, timeline, escape, freedom

Goldilocks: responsibility, chronological, conditions, quilt, voyage, code, conductor, figure

Physical Education

During this half term, your child will take part in physical problem solving. They will use team work to successfully solve challenging problems. They will also take part in dance. Each week, PE will take place on Monday (class7) or Thursday (class8).

Reading

Your child will bring home 1 book. Please ensure that you are reading with your child at home at least three times a week. Reading records and books need to be in everyday so that teachers can read with children.

A Final Note..

Children can buy toast at a charge of 10p per slice. Please make sure that the money for this is given on a Monday for the week (if your child wants it). Children can buy a piece of fruit for 20p per piece and can buy this at last playtime. Alternatively, they can bring a piece of their own.

Please make sure your child has a water bottle in school, as learning is thirsty work! As the British weather is unpredictable, please make sure your child has a coat with them in school. Your child's PE lesson is on a Wednesday, please ensure they have a suitable PE kit and any earrings are covered with plasters.

We are excited to celebrate all of your child's successes over the year ahead. If you have any concerns, big or small, do not hesitate to come and see us.

