Year 3 Overview Meeting 2022-23 – notes for parents/carers

Staff

- Phoenix Class: Miss Eggitt
- **Delphinus Class:** Miss Mountney
- Mrs O'Brien (Teaching Assistant across both classes)
- Mrs Mollet (Supporting across both classes on selected days)

Timetable

- Monday- Indoor PE
- Tuesday Homework due in
- Wednesday- Library
- Thursday Homework set
- Friday Outdoor PE

Break and lunch time

- During these times children are allowed to bring in one small toy to play with. But this must not be shared with other children and is to be put away as soon as they re-enter class for lessons.
- Your child can have a healthy snack (fruit or veg) at break. But please be aware that we are a nut free school.

Reading

- Please ensure that your child reads for 15 minutes at home every day and writes this in their home/school book. An example of the layout for you to draw is on the first page. It is important that children read aloud to an adult some of the time and discuss what they have been reading.
- Please sign the home/school book every weekend to indicate that the reading has been done every day.
- Home/school books will be checked and signed by the teacher every Tuesday.
- Please remind children to bring any notes written in the home/school book to the teacher's or teaching assistant's attention.

Spelling

- Spelling patterns will be taught and revised during the week and may sometimes be part of the English Homework.
- Children also need to be able to spell all of the words on the Y1/2 spelling list and we will work on the spellings on the Y3/4 list.
- Copies of these lists can be provided if requested.

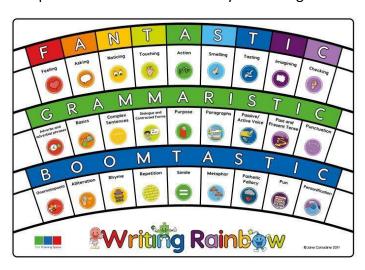
Writing

- The children are expected to write in joined handwriting which is evenly sized and sitting on the line. Throughout the year we will be building on their previous work and covering the Year 3 curriculum.
- Please practise handwriting with your children using the St Dunstan's cursive handwriting sheet as support. There are also many resources online to support.
- We will continue to use the lenses on the Writing Rainbow to support the children's writing.

How can you help your child's writing?

- Ensure their work is presented to a high standard.
- Ensure they use the correct letter formation and joined St Dunstan's cursive handwriting.
- Ensure your child is confident in identifying nouns, verbs and adjectives and explore more adventurous language.
- Spelling:
 Encourage your child to use the spelling patterns they have learnt in their writing and to spot these words in books they're reading.





Times tables

- Coming into Year 3, all children should be able to recall multiplication facts for 2, 5, 10. By the end of Year 3, they need to know 3, 4, 8 timetables facts and recall these confidently.
- It is important, once they know the tables listed above, to keep working until they know them all as it will support them in their maths work.
- We will be working with your children daily on times tables so that they could know up to 12 x 12 by the end of Year 3.
- By the end of year 4 they must know them all up to 12 x 12.

Maths lessons

- Maths lessons begin with Times Table practice.
- Maths lessons are based on the White Rose Scheme.
- Maths tasks are split into three sections fluency, reasoning and problem solving.
- Fluency tasks contain basic methods of calculation.
- Reasoning tasks are given to enable the children to explain their calculations and methods that they have used.
- Problem Solving tasks are given to enable the children to apply their learning.
- Mastery tasks are also used to give the children the opportunity to develop an understanding of a concept in greater depth.

How can you help your child's maths?

- Discuss the work your child has done in class that week.
- When doing homework encourage them to explain their maths thinking.
- Ensure their work is presented to a high standard and laid out as per the examples.
- Encourage your child to spend time on Times Table Rockstar.

Online Resources

- Pupils have access to the London Grid for Learning (LGfL)
 www.lgfl.net, which has links to many useful resources. We will provide their logins. LGFL resources we would recommend are:
- Maths at Home (videos to explain maths concepts)
- Grammar Explained
- Busy Things
- J2Blast.

Other useful websites:

- Mathletics
- BBC Bitesize
- Hit the Button
- TimesTable RockStars.

Homework

- English and maths homework will be set every Thursday and must be given in by the following Tuesday. Children should spend around 20 -30 minutes on each activity.
- On Google Classroom, Topic homework suggestions will be given out each half term. Children are expected to complete and hand in three topic homework activities using Google Classroom by the end of the half term (before the half-term break).

Topics

• We will have a different topic focus each half term, around which most of the children's learning will be based:

Autumn 1	Predator
Autumn 2	Tribal Tales
Spring 1	Scrumdiddlyumptious
Spring 2	Ancient Egypt
Summer 1	Tremors
Summer 2	Gods and Mortals

Trips/events

- British Museum
- Scrumdiddlyumptious- Shop/restaurant visit TBC
- Swimming
- Recorders.
- Greek Day.

Behaviour

 We will continue to use the Behaviour and Learning Ladders along with the Christian Values Tree to promote and celebrate positive learning attitudes and behaviours.

General

- If your child is being collected by someone other than their or parent/carer, please write this in the home/school book.
- Please ensure that full PE kits are in school every day.
- If your child wears earrings that can't currently be removed then they must wear tape to cover the earring. This is to ensure your child does not catch the earring during P.E lessons. <u>Please provide</u> this for your own child.
- Please ensure your child brings in their water bottle every day.
- If you have a message please remember that you can write notes in the Home/School Book or email the class email address.

Phoenix: phoenix@stdunstans.sutton.sch.uk Delphinus: delphinus@stdunstans.sutton.sch.uk

• If you need to talk with us personally then we can arrange an appointment after school (Not Wednesday due to staff meeting or Thursday for Miss Eggitt due to clubs)

Many thanks in advance for your support.

By working together, we hope that your child will have a happy and successful journey through Year 3.