

YEAR 3

newsletter



Spring 2- What governs the choices we make?

What are we going to learn this half term...

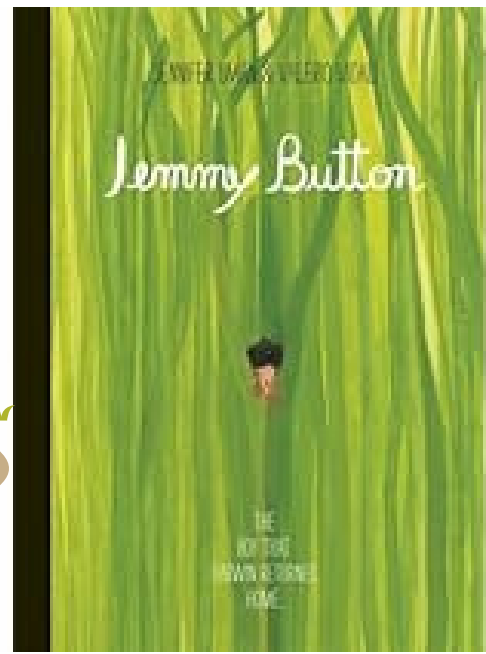
We hope you had an enjoyable half term holiday. We can't believe we are already in Spring 2!

This half term we have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned, including the school linking project where we will be exploring kindness and what we can do to spread kindness to others.

English

We will be continuing to follow the Read2Write approach to teaching English. That is underpinned by high quality texts. We will be looking at the text 'Jemmy Button'.

Through this text we will be exploring Return Narrative and Letter writing. We will be building on our knowledge of prepositions, inverted commas and adverbs.

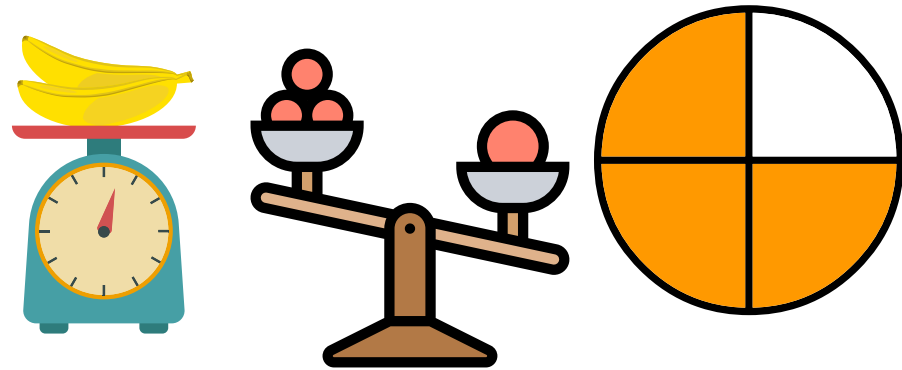


Maths

The units we will be covering in Maths this term are: Length and Perimeter, Fractions, Mass and Capacity.

All lessons encourage children to explore concepts and develop their understanding of number through the manipulation of concrete resources (e.g. counters) and then apply this knowledge in problem solving and reasoning activities.

We will have core arithmetic sessions each morning to consolidate our understanding of key mathematical vocabulary and calculation skills.



Discovery - Science

Our Science topic this half term will be Forces and Light. We will be exploring this through our narrative immersion and DEAL lessons.

Within our Science curriculum we focus on teaching the key scientific skills: Fair testing, Research, Problem Solving, Comparing, Grouping and Classifying and Pattern Seeking.



Spelling List

Our whole school approach to spelling focuses on a spelling rule each week. This is in contrast to the children learning a list of 10 each week. Please support your children at home by playing games. We upload the spelling rules on DOJO. Here are a few websites with some ideas:

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zw68h4j>
- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar>
- <https://uk.ixl.com/english/year-3/games>
- <https://spellingframe.co.uk/>
- https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/?s=spelling&_post_types=activities

Homework

Year 3 children are required to:

- Read 3 times a week for 15 minutes to an adult.
- Practice timestables using the TTRockstars resource 3 times a week.
- Practice their spellings as often as possible.

Other Curriculum Areas

D.T - 2D shape to 3D product-
Textiles Tote Bag
Music - Keyboards music service
Spanish - Instruments
R.E - What do different people believe about God?
P.S.H.E -
Computer Safety (online bullying)
Being Responsible (stealing)

P.E.

We have PE on Tuesdays and Wednesday. Our PE topics are cricket and dance. We are having so much fun doing dance that we are continuing this topic!

Important Dates

Monday 2nd March - World Book Week
18th March- Maths Success Share
19th March Maths Success Share
Friday 20th March- Comic Relief Day
Wednesday 18th March - Music Spring
Friday 27th March - School Closing for Easter

School linking

We are moving into Phase 2 of the School Linking Project which focuses on kindness.

We will have four themes including:
1- Acts of Kindness
2- Video Call with our Link Class
3- Taking Action and Making a Change
4- People Equal Poetry Performance

The children will create their own social action challenge to improve their local area and help build other people's self-esteem. We will continue to send home optional 'family tasks' for the children to do at home. These have prompts for discussion with your child about what they did at school to help move past the "nothing!" many parents are faced with.

We are excited to share our future plans for hosting and visiting our host class!

