



Snapshots of Year 3

What we are learning this

Autumn term:

Reading

Each day, your child will take part in one of the following reading activities:

1. Book Club (Guided Reading with the class Teaching Assistant)
2. 'Read and Relax' (Independent reading of material of their choice, e.g. story book, newspaper, magazine, etc.)
3. 'Read with Me' (Reading and 'a chat' with the class teacher)

Home reading books need to be in school daily but **will only be changed once a week**. When your child's book does need changing, please send your child in with their book **and diary, signed to say it has been read three times**.

Writing

Year 3 will be continuing to build upon techniques learnt in year 2, as well as learning and acquiring new SPaG skills.

We will look at two texts, one based on the rainforest, and the second Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. These quality texts will assist the children in writing a non-chronological report, poetry, adventure stories, and descriptive narrative writing.

Spellings will be taught 4 days a week through both peer teaching and direct teacher input. As always, handwriting is a priority so this will be practised as much as possible, and **good presentation will be expected in ALL work**.

Maths

The focus in Maths this term will be on number and place value. The children will develop their fluency in understanding the value of different digits and numbers, as well as using the four operations ($+$ $-$ \times \div).

Children will also have the opportunity to solve problems involving these concepts.

Times tables will be tested twice a week.

Topic

This term's topic is... **Jungle Journeys**

Throughout this we will explore the location of various jungles and rainforests, research the different animals who live there, and what produce we get from them, most notably ...

CHOCOLATE!!

The topic will end at Christmas when we will be making special Christmas chocolates to sell at the Christmas Fayre.

Homework:

Each Friday your child will be given Maths and Literacy homework in their grey homework book. This is to be completed and **returned by the following Wednesday**.

In addition, it is expected that children complete a Topic homework piece from the Topic homework grid — this can be found in your child's homework book.

Important Dates:

Every Wednesday (starting 12th September):

Swimming

Every Friday: PE

Friday 19th October: Year 3 class assembly

Monday 5th November: Teacher Training

Monday 17th December: Christmas Fayre

Friday 21st December: KS2 Christmas Carol Concert

Notes from the teacher:

Water bottles need to be in school (and taken home) daily.

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school on PE day, and suitable swim wear and a towel on swimming day (this should be in a separate bag to their school bag to ensure nothing gets wet after swimming).

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you or your child ever have any questions or concerns.

Mrs Addis

