

# Year 3 Summer Term Newsletter

## Welcome

Welcome back. We trust you all had a restful half term break and are excited to be returning for the remainder of the Summer term.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Sports Day**
- **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - INSET Day**
- **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Visit to St Mary’s church**
- **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July – INSET Day**

## Summer Term Topics

### History

This term we will be focusing on the enquiry question: **What did the ancient Greeks do for us?** Our study of ancient and modern Greece will see pupils gain an understanding of democracy, art and the cultural significance of the Olympic Games.

### Art and Design

We will be developing the children’s use of watercolours to paint land and seascapes. Students will learn about the work of two famous artists – Winslow Homer and Paul Klee.

### English

This term, we will be writing information booklets about the Ancient and Modern Olympic Games, linking to our History topic.

### Maths

We are learning about Time and Shape. X Tables to be learned this term are x3, x4 and x8 in particular. However, the more the better!

### Science

**How do the different parts of a plant help it to grow and reproduce?** We will be learning about the different parts of a flower and how plants reproduce through seed dispersal.

### RE

In RE this term, we will be learning about inspirational leaders from different world faiths and learning about places of worship. We will be visiting Bulwell St Mary’s church as a Year group, on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024, to learn about the different parts of the church and how it is used by the community it serves. We would appreciate any parent helpers if available, further details will be posted on Dojo nearer the time.

## Attendance and Punctuality

We would like to remind parents of the importance of regular attendance at school. If children are away unnecessarily then they miss out on vital learning activities and often find it hard to make links in their learning.

It is also crucial that children arrive at school on time. Year 3 children are collected from the front yard at 8.45am, ready for the register to be taken at 8.50am.

## Parent Helpers

If there are any parents who are able to assist by listening to children read, it would be greatly appreciated.

Whether it be half an hour once a week or daily, please talk to your class teacher to organise some times.

## Homework

**Online** - Homework is due is set online in the form of Mathletics, Times Table Rock Stars and Purple Mash. Children should access this online learning at home and aim to complete any tasks set each week. During this term we will expect the children to complete around 500 points on TTRS and 1000 points of Mathletics.

**Reading** – Children should read with their parents at least 4 times per week, although daily would be great. Please sign their reading diaries to evidence this reading at home. Please ensure reading books and diaries are brought into school every day.

**Star Word Spellings** – Every child now knows their spelling set which is glued into their reading diaries. These will be tested weekly.