



## Year 3 Summer Term Newsletter

Welcome back to our final term with your children in Year 3.

We have lots of exciting plans and activities in store for your children this term!

### English

The text we will be studying this term is the *Boy with the Bronze Axe* by Kathleen Fidler. We will be discussing factual language and writing a non-chronological report. Spelling remains a focus, and we thank you for your support in helping your children to learn their spellings in preparation for the weekly test on Mondays. A reminder that we are now moving back to Seesaw to set homework and spellings on a weekly basis. If you need a password reminder, please email your class teacher.

### Maths

In maths, we will continue to reinforce new learning by revisiting content that may have been missed due to the closure of school this time last year. We have begun the term with 2D and 3D shapes and are now moving on to angles. Times table knowledge continues to be vitally important for all areas of the mathematical curriculum and we would love it if regular practise became a part of your child's routine. Don't forget, your child has access to Times Tables Rockstars, a fun and addictive game that can be played at any time from home.

### Explore – Dream – Discover Curriculum

Within our 'Boy with the Bronze Axe' topic we will be looking at the historical time period from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We will be finding out how people in the Stone Age lived and looking at key changes from the way people lived in the Stone Age to the way they lived in the Iron Age.

In the second half term we will be looking at the history of The Potteries; the pottery industry and the importance of the canals within Stoke-on-Trent. In art, we will study the beautiful and colourful Clarice Cliff ceramics.

We have two exciting Science topics to study this term, starting with "How do things move?" and moving on to "What is a shadow?"

We have been fortunate enough this term to have the super Time4Sport team leading our PE lessons on **Tuesday** mornings. The children have been working on their throwing and catching skills by playing lots of fun games. We hope that the weather will stay bright and dry so that these lessons can happen outside on our new Multi-Use Games Area.

A final plea: please could you ensure that all uniform is labelled, especially if new purchases have been made for the summer term. This really helps us to reunite lost items with their owners.

We thank all of you who ensure that your children are weekly reading champions. Remember that to be a reading champion, children need to be reading 5 times per week and have their reading record signed each time they read. It is important that up to date reading records are given in on a Monday as the reading champions are reported at the start of the week.

If you wish to contact us by email, our addresses are detailed below. However, if your enquiry is urgent please either ring the office.

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Thank you for your continued support

Miss Boughey, Mr Cadwallader, Mrs Davies and Mrs Archer

