

## Welcome to Year 3

We are all looking forward to having you all back in September. After a strange year so far, we know parents, teachers and children will all be welcoming some normality.

The teaching staff in Year 3 are:

Juniper Class—Miss Siotto (Teacher) and Miss Featherston (Teaching Assistant)

Elder Class—Miss Pembrey (Teacher) and Mrs Gurr (Teaching Assistant)

Please contact your child's class teacher on dojo if you have any questions.

## PE

In Term 1, Elder and Juniper class will have PE on a Monday and Friday. Please ensure your child has their full correct, Sandown PE kit in school and that all kit is named. They should have appropriate indoor and outdoor footwear.



## Home learning

### Reading

Well done to all those children that have been writing quality comments, 5 times a week in their home-school link book. It is the expectation that all children are doing this. The children will change their Book Club reading book every 2 weeks on a Friday. Children will also be changing their Library books on a Friday in Year 3.



### Spellings

Your child will bring home a spelling sheet on a Friday to practice and will be tested the following Thursday.

### Times Table Rockstars

Each week a challenge is set on Times Table Rock Stars. Children must gain 120 points to earn a dojo. The top 3 children with the most points in each class will also receive a certificate! Children can either play online or complete the double sided A4 sheet.

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## Term 1 2021

## Do you believe in Magic?



## RE

This term the children will be learning about the Jewish Festival of Sukkot.

The children will learn about the significance of the 'Chuppah' which is used in the ceremony.



## DT

To link with our RE topic, the children will design and make their own 'Chuppah' and evaluate their final product.

## Computing

This term the children will be using Purple Mash to learn about 'Coding'. The children's logins will be in the front of their link book so please encourage them to use Purple Mash at home.

## Music

This term the children will be practicing a song called 'Let your Spirit Fly' and making their own compositions.



## Science

The topic this term is Animals including Humans. In this topic the children will be learning all about how our bodies work, including naming the bones, the role of the skeleton and how muscles function.

## PSHE

Our PSHE topic of 'Being me in My World' will allow the children to explore their own sense of identity and how they fit in to our school, community and the wider world.



## History

This term we begin our 'Stone Age' topic. The children will be learning



about the lives of the first Homo sapiens and exploring the question: **How did the lives of Ancient Britons change during the Stone Age?**

## Geography

In Geography we will begin learning about 'Fair Trade'.

The children will be exploring the question:

**How does chocolate get to my lunchbox?**

They will follow the journey of chocolate, starting from a cacao plant in Ghana to its wrapper.



## English

This term we will be reading The Magic Finger, by Roald Dahl, as our class text. Our English work will be linked to this story. We will be writing diary entries, instructions, character descriptions and composing, rehearsing and performing poetry based on what we have read.



## Maths

In Maths this term, we will be focusing on place value, as well as strategies for adding and subtracting. We will be revisiting and embedding some Year 2 objectives before moving on to Year 3 new learning to ensure children have a concrete understanding.

In Year 3 the children will be recapping their 2,5 and 10x tables previously learnt in Year 2. They will then be learning their 3,4 and 8 times tables. Completing the weekly Times Table Rock Stars challenge will help children embed these Times Tables fluently.

In Year 3 the children will learn to tell the time. Throughout the school year, the children will challenge themselves to earn their very own watch. They will earn the watch when they can prove that they can confidently tell the time.

