

Year 3 Newsletter Autumn 2



Class Blogs: to facilitate the learning process, we regularly post learning materials online. The content of the Class Blogs will enable parents to support their child at home.



We are reading *The Wind in the Willows* this half term. We are very excited to be writing narratives based on the classic tale, explanation texts, as well as conducting debates. We will be exploring a range of sentence types, sentence starters, speech and conjunctions to expand and strengthen the children's writing skills. We love coming across new vocabulary which can be enhanced by reading with your child at home. More advanced texts can make a huge difference in expanding their knowledge and use of vocabulary. Each class's spelling words are updated on the blog weekly.

In this half term, Year 3 will be exploring multiplication and division, as well as learning more about time. We will be focussing on problem solving and maths vocabulary. The homework throughout the half term will be to practise times tables on TT Rockstars; the children will be set specific times table challenges and are expected to spend at least 30 minutes a week on the website. Please check the blog for information regarding how to support the children's maths learning at home.



We can't wait to visit Goole Waterways Museum on the 27th and 29th November. The children get to ride a boat on the canal, build a vessel and test whether it floats as well as exploring the interactive museum.



Year 3 are investigating forces and magnets this half term. We have lots of practical experiments planned to help solidify the children's understanding of science concepts. We'll be learning about balanced and unbalanced forces, defining what pushing and pulling is, looking at magnetism and gravity, as well as creating fair and reliable scientific tests.

In **Geography** this half term, Year 3 are continuing learning about rivers and mountains. We'll be looking at the water cycle and learning how to use a map. In **Computing**, the children are becoming computer coders, creating algorithms and code sequences on Purple Mash. They have individual logins so you can practise at home! We are continuing our learning of inspirational religious figures in **RE**, ask your child about Mother Teresa. **PE** is taught twice a week, please make sure your child has a warm school PE kit for outdoor activities.

