



Welcome to Class 3's Spring Overview



Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have settled into our class very well and are becoming familiar with the expectations of now being in Key Stage One. We are very proud of them all. Class 3 is an exciting and busy year, and so we want to support you in every way we can. You will receive information about whole school matters through school letters, but we also wanted to send you our own information about Class 3 through a newsletter.

Remember we are using Google Classroom for spellings, homework and updates.

Thank you, Miss Yassin and Mrs Burns.



Maths

In maths this term we are focusing on number and place value within 10, then on to 20. Addition and subtraction within 10 and 20 and geometry and shape.

We will be practising our counting skills, forwards and backwards to 20, including recognising and writing numbers to 20. We will learn all the number bonds to 5, then 10.

We will be practising the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and mental arithmetic to improve our rapid recall skills. We will also be practicing doubles and halves to 10.

English



This term in English we will look at non-fiction writing, including poetry. Our current topic is looking at the life of Florence Nightingale.

We are focusing on sentence structure, punctuation and grammar, this will be practised daily in class.

We will practise our phonics daily, including spellings and common exception words throughout the term. We are now using a scheme called Little Wandle and will be completing spellings from this scheme.

In our reading sessions we will practise our reading skills including comprehension skills to help our understanding of a text.

Grammar, punctuation, spelling and handwriting will be practised daily in class

Finally, we will be encouraging all children to speak clearly in full sentences, as this is also a focus.

RE



Our first topic that we will look at is Books. In this topic, we will look at Bible stories, and recognise some of these to be able to retell to our families and friends. We learn about the Bible and the Gospels. We will encourage children to be able to talk about their experiences and feelings about different books and say what they wonder about the importance of books in their lives.

Science

During the spring term we will be learning about materials, plastic, wood, glass, etc.

Pupils will be taught to:

distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made, identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock.

They will be able to describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials, and compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.

PE

Mr Poole will continue to teach one of our P.E lessons each week. The children will learn the rules of teamwork and develop fundamental skills.

They will practise ball control, throwing and catching, balancing and wide and narrow movements.

This will take place on a Friday afternoon, so remember to have PE Kits in school.

(White tops/red shorts and plimsolls or trainers).

Computing

We will be learning about how to stay safe online and be introducing the children to e-safety.

Please encourage safe internet use at home and good and legal use of social networks. Thank you.

French

Bonjour! In French we will be learning greetings and how to say hello and goodbye. We will also learn Parts of the Body names and Simple Commands.

History & Geography

We will be learning all about Florence Nightingale in History this half term.

We will look at who Florence Nightingale was and why she became famous.

Art, Music and D&T

D&T will be based around structures and tents linked to our learning in History and tents that Florence Nightingale worked in. The children will design, make and evaluate their own tent structures.

In Music the children will be listening to music such as Hey You and exploring pulse and rhythm.

In Art the children will be developing their drawing skills. We will explore different tools to create marks, simple drawings of people and objects and describe what they draw.

The children will express their opinion on artwork and the artwork of others with reasons for their preference.

Homework

Reading is very important! Please listen to your child read daily and ensure they bring their reading book and record to school every day.

It would be appreciated if you could also write a comment to let us know how your child is getting on at home with their reading.

Spellings will be sent home each Friday. We practise spellings in school through our phonics scheme, Little Wandle. They are sent home to practise for a spelling test on the following Thursday. Please help your child to learn their words each week for the test.

[Please access the school website for updates and any other information](https://ctking.npcat.org.uk/)

<https://ctking.npcat.org.uk/>

