# Year 3 Newsletter Spring 2017

Welcome to the Spring Term of year 3! As we leave winter behind and look towards Spring we are looking forward to new challenges and exciting new topics. Mrs. Osayande and Miss Fallows are very impressed with what we have seen in the Autumn Term and hope that the children in our classes are going to work just as hard this term!

#### Literary Masters

Our literacy learning this term is all about reading lots of myths from different parts of the world including Ancient Rome and Greece. The focus in our written work will be to develop explanation and detailed vocabulary choices. We will be continuing learning how to use commas in a variety of ways as well as broadening our punctuation skills.

Across the whole school we are continuing to develop the neatness and accurate formation of our handwriting. We are reinforcing the cursive style of handwriting across our school so in year 3 we are ensuring that we do this to the best of our ability. Any practise at home of these skills would be beneficial.

#### Mathematical Genius

In our maths learning we will be continuing our fluency with number and the four operations, learning our times tables off by heart. We are revising multiplication and division and beginning to look in detail at time. It would be useful if you discuss time and the clock with your child.



Mosaics and Patterns

In our art project we will be thinking about the different mosaics around today and then looking back at the mosaics from the Greek period. We will then be developing our own pattern to make using our creative skills.



### Scientific Masters!

In science we will be thinking about rocks and the three states of matter, solid, liquid and gas. We will be applying our literacy skills to write explanations using technical vocabulary and thinking about why experiments work how they do. We will be learning about different kinds of rock and trying to think about where we find them and how they are made.

#### RE

Our RE curriculum is all about examining the relationships that people of different religions have with the God they believe in. Our focus will be on Christianity with a particular link to British Values and how they focus the thinking of British people.

## Weekly Routine

<u>**PE</u>**- This takes place on WEDNESDAY in both Miss Fallows class and in Mrs. Osayande's class.</u>

Homework- English and Maths are given on a FRIDAY and are to be returned on MONDAY.

**Spellings**- Spellings are given on MONDAY and are to be learned for the following MONDAY.

**Reading**- Reading books are changed once a week on either MONDAY, WEDNESDAY or FRIDAY and should be read regularly. Children also visit the school library once a week to choose a book from there.



# Dates for your Diary

Half Term: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February

Pantomime: Wednesday 11th January

School re-opens: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February

Samba (3E0): Wednesday mornings



Thank you for your continued support. It is very much appreciated.

Miss Fallows and Mrs. Osayande.