Year 3 Summer Term Topics

Welcome back!

We would like to thank you for the amazing start to the term. All the children have settled in well and are very keen to learn. This term we will be learning some exciting things and lessons will also include many enjoyable practical activities.

Reading:	This term we will be developing our reading strategies through our class book Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. The children will also be reading a range of other texts over the term, which will include poetry and texts linked to other areas of the curriculum which we are studying.
Writing:	We will start the term by writing a set of instructions linked to the characters in our book. As the term progresses, we will continue to develop our story writing skills and develop descriptive language. Spellings and spelling strategies and handwriting will be taught as part of the writing process.
Maths:	At the start of this term, we will continue to develop the children's understanding of measuring length including learning about different units of measurement and calculating perimeter. We will move on to studying fractions before looking at topics such as shape and time before the summer holidays. We will continue to use concrete apparatus and pictorial representations to allow the children to use their mathematical skills to solve problems and explain solutions.
Science:	For the first half term our focus in Science will be Animals Including Humans. We will complete the topic by focusing on nutrition and food groups. Then we shall be investigating Light and Shadows. The children will have the opportunity to think scientifically by designing their own experiments and using graphs and tables to present their results.
R.E.:	During the term, our R.E. topics include Being Silent and Attentive and Showing Courage. We will be studying a variety of stories from different faiths as well as looking at different beliefs that these faiths have.
P.H.S.E.:	Our focus for this term is Healthy Living. Over the course of this topic we will investigate diet, including food groups and how to choose healthy options, and discuss how exercise and physical activity keeps us healthy.
P.E.:	For the first half term we will be developing our throwing and catching skills in PE lessons. This half term, Class 3H will be starting swimming lessons at Fox Hollies Leisure Centre. Class 3M will begin their swimming lessons after half term.
Across the curriculum:	In Geography we will be learning about the countries of South America. We will be continuing to learn to play the recorder in Music, and developing the children's creativity in Art looking at art work linked to our South America Geography topic.

Important information

Please make sure your child brings their book and book bag to school every day.

P.E is on a <u>Tuesday</u> morning so they will need to come to school in their P.E. kit for the day.

During the first half term Class 3H will by going swimming on <u>Friday</u> mornings, Children will wear their PE kits and bring swimming kits and towels with them. Class 3M will be swimming after half term.

How can you help?

You can help us in school by:

- Reading everyday with your child, this really helps your child's progress and develop an enjoyment for reading. They will also be rewarded with dojo stars. Please also ensure that you sign the diary for your child.
- Talk to your child about their day. Ask what they have enjoyed about each day. Being able to answer questions in full sentences will help your child develop their vocabulary and understanding.
- Making sure your child gets lots of sleep.
- Bring a water bottle every day and a hat for when the weather gets warm again.

Thank you for your support, Mr Hopkins, Mr McNidder, Mrs Campbell, Mrs Dunn and Mrs Farquharson.