

Year 3



Spring 1 Newsletter

Welcome back after the Christmas break and we hope you all had a fantastic holiday!

Year 3 Team reminders:

The Staff working within Year 3 are:

- Teachers - Mrs Cox, Miss Trolley and Miss Moore
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- Teaching assistants - Mrs Fletcher and Miss Booth
- Throughout the week, many of the Year 3 pupils will also be taught by Miss Kemp, Mrs Willis and Mrs Munnoch.

Year 3 daily routine reminders:

School begins at 9:00am and finishes at 3:30pm

Teachers are available to talk to if something important needs to be discussed and will be in their classrooms from 8.50am. If you require a longer period of time to talk to the teacher, please arrange a convenient appointment for you both.

If a different person will be collecting your child from school (even if this is a family member) please let a staff member know or call the office if this is a last minute arrangement. We will not allow your child home with anyone if we haven't been told, even if we know this person.

Due to the cold weather, children must bring a coat with them to school to wear at break times. They will also require warmer and appropriate cold weather clothes for PE lessons.

Children are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack (preferably fruit) for morning break as they won't receive the free piece of fruit like they did in Key Stage One. They may be hungry as their lunch time is later at 12:30pm.

Spring 1 learning:

Each half term has a specific 'Unit of Learning' which will focus on different subject areas. This half term, we will be focusing our Unit of learning on Geography. We will be learning about why it is important to be environmentally friendly.

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How is a river formed? Geography focus	How did coal mining help to shape the Edwinstowe we know today? History focus	What does it mean to be environmentally friendly? Geography focus	How did Britain change between the beginning of the Stone age and the end of the Iron age? History focus	How advanced were the famous civilizations that were great 3000 years ago? (With a focus on Shang Dynasty and Ancient Egypt) History focus	What do we know about the continent of Asia? Geography focus

Residential:

Thank you to all families that have completed and brought back into school the relevant residential consent form. Our Year 3 residential will take place from late morning on **Wednesday 27th March 2024** until lunchtime on **Thursday 28th March 2024**. It therefore includes 1 night away in small dormitory style bedrooms with en-suite facilities. The trip will cost **£101.75**, which includes the activities, instructors, accommodation, food and return coach travel. We kindly asked that you paid a deposit of £20 before 31st October, 2023 via the Gateway app to secure your child's place on the trip. The **remaining £81.75** will be due by **1st March, 2024** and the gateway is open to make payments towards the residential. We wanted to give you as much notice as possible to help you spread the cost. Save the date - We invite you to join us on **Thursday 29th February, 2024** where we will share further information about the trip and answer any questions you may have.

Bingo Homework:

The children will receive homework in a 'bingo' style format on Microsoft Teams. Each homework activity will relate to what the children are learning about and they can choose which activities they would like to complete and when. Activities are chosen to insight a love of learning and a thirst for knowledge. Homework should be viewed as a chance for children to play to their strengths - if they are brilliant on the computer - do it on the computer, if they are artistic - let them show that. Children who complete their homework will be rewarded for each piece they do and will receive a certificate to reflect how many pieces they have completed.

Online Platforms:

We also encourage the children to access the DoodleMaths/English/Spelling and Time Table Rockstars (TTRS) learning platforms. We will be sending home spellings for your child to learn on a weekly basis, both on Teams and in their reading diaries. These will be assessed weekly. These words typically link to the spelling rule focus for that particular week but also expose the children to the statutory words for Year 3 and 4. Please find some time to practise these with your child.

Our school Twitter is a great way of getting to see some of the fabulous work that your child does in school (#classof2027). The bingo homework, letters and updates will be shared via email and on our Teams pages. In addition, the school website contains lots of information too so it is worth checking regularly.

<http://www.kingedwin.notts.sch.uk/>

How can you help your child at home?

- Read daily with your child and record it in their reading diary, this doesn't always have to be their school book.
- Practising the 3 and 4 times tables.
- Practising weekly spellings
- Practise reading and spelling sight words (in the back of the reading diary).
- Encourage your child to be more independent.
- Learn with them by completing their 'Bingo' homework activities.
- Completing activities on DoodleMaths/English/Spelling and TTRS.

Many thanks for your continued support. Please email rather than messaging on TEAMS if you have any questions or queries.

The Year 3 Team