



CURRICULUM NEWS YEAR 3 SPRING 1

Key dates

6th Jan — Start of term - Whole school.
 13th Jan—Launch PCLC primary reading competition.
 20th Jan—Charity Day - Wear PJs, bring a blankets and a toy animal for HEART charity.
 23rd Jan Siblings photo day- Whole school.
 31st Jan—Inset Day
 3rd Feb—Mental Health Week
 10th Feb—Spelling Bee launch
 11th Feb— Online safety day
 14th Feb—Last day of half term. Normal finish. Preloved uniform sale 3pm.

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and feel happy, refreshed and ready for next term. This term we are embarking on a journey called 'From one home to another'. It is an exciting topic, learning about our world and we cannot wait to share it with you.



ENGLISH and SPELLING

Your child will be tested on the week's spelling before learning the rule and practicing at school and home. They'll be retested the following week to assess improvement. Additionally, please review the statutory year group words in your child's homework book to help them incorporate these into their writing.

This term in English, we will begin by writing descriptive pieces about Wonka's Chocolate Factory, focusing on using vivid imagery and creative language to bring the setting to life. Following this, we will dive into Storm, an exciting and mysterious narrative, where we will develop their reading, comprehension, and storytelling skills. These activities are designed to inspire imagination and enhance their writing techniques.



Year 3 routine

Monday—Lavender PE

Wednesday—Mulberry PE

Lavender Swimming

Both classes Spellings/Times tables (completed over the rest of the week)

Thursday— Mulberry swimming

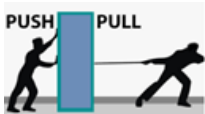
Both classes Homework & Reading Diaries. Reading books changed by Friday.

PSHE and Zones of the regulation

We will follow the inquisitive fox and try to find answers to many mind-boggling questions. We will also continue with the zones but we will start to focus more on tools and techniques that help us to regulate our emotions.

Science

This half term we will be learning about forces and magnets! We will explore different types of forces and their properties, where they occur, and where they come from. This unit will be full of exciting experiments.



Topic - From one home to another.

We will be learning all about how our environment is formed and comparing it to another place. We will be learning about the water system and how it has shaped our world.

Maths

We will continue to focus on multiplication and division and we strongly encourage practising the timetables on daily basis in order to be fluent and ready for the timetable test in year 4. Later on this half—term we will be learning measure concentrating on length and perimeter.

Things to remember

Please drop off your child between 8:40am—8:50am each morning. Pick up is at 3.15pm.

Please provide your child with a healthy snack to eat at playtime—**fruit or vegetables only**. Please make sure that your child has a **nut free lunch**. We are a nut free school. This includes no Nutella or nut containing chocolate spreads.

Please make sure that all your child's belongings are **clearly labelled**. You child will be responsible for their own belongings and labelling supports this. We are unable to return lost jumpers/cardigans and ties if they are not labelled.

Please remember to remove any earrings on swimming and PE days. PE kits will be left in school and returned at the end of each half term.

As we have entered the cold weather season , please include a pair of tracksuit bottoms and a long sleeve top in your child's PE kit. Please also make sure your child brings a coat to school each day as we will be outside during most breaks and lunchtimes.

Please make sure your child is reading for at least 40 minutes a week. Please record this in your child's reading record. This is being closely monitored by our English lead. Children who read regularly progress better in all subjects.

