

6th January 2023

Year 3 News

Assistant Headteacher Update



Happy new year! We were so excited to welcome the children back to school and hear all about the fantastic adventures that they got up to over the Christmas holidays. The children settled back in well and were eager to hear about the new learning which we will soon be embarking on. Our new History and Geography theme is Ancient Greece. We will be discovering some important historical facts about Greece and how the Greeks were the pioneers of the Olympic Games. In addition to this, we will be finding out about the Greek Gods and Goddesses who were said to have once ruled the mainland of Greece and its surrounding islands. We are sure that the children will be enthusiastic about sharing their learning with you.

We have just started to read a new text in our Guided Reading lessons: The Iron Man by Ted Hughes. We will be continuing to practise different skills within our reading lessons, such as making plausible inferences, making predictions, retrieving information and exploring the vocabulary which the author has chosen to use. These are all transferable skills which can be practised with your child when they read to you at home.

In Science, we will be exploring forces further, particularly focussing on friction and gravity. During the first two lessons we will explore how the texture of the surface, or object that is travelling across the surface, affects the speed and distance it will travel. Some questions which may help your child's learning include: why are the lanes on a bowling alley smooth and polished? Why are tyres made out of rubber? We look forward to seeing how much your discussions impact their learning.

Have a good weekend.

Miss Thomas

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What do our Year 3 children have to say?

*"I really enjoyed our lesson looking at the olympics, my team won the relay race!
Jacob, Prague*



I am really looking forward to finding out some interesting facts about Ancient Greece and learning Greek Gods and Goddesses. Also, I'm interested in Science so I can't wait to do some physics!



I have been enjoying using our different written methods to help me with my 8x tables in Maths. I am really excited for Humanities this term and learning about Ancient Greece and the Greek Gods! Marcel, Athens



REMINDER

As a school we would also like to remind you of the following:

- Earrings must be studs, religious bands are allowed but no necklaces, bracelets please.
- Watches are allowed, including analogue, digital and fitness trackers (step counters); however, smart-watches are not permitted as some have apps and/or can maintain connectivity to phones which can become a distraction and are deemed as a safeguarding risk.

Key Dates



Census day - 19th Jan 2023

Class Photo - 26th January 2023

Half Term - 13th Feb - 17th Feb 2023

Year 3 Swimming lessons - 22nd Feb - 29th March

Peterborough Museum - 12th June 2023



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