

Robertswood School



Information About This Term's Work

Year 3

Autumn Term 2022

Mrs Stanford and Miss Eastbury

Welcome to Year 3.

We hope you have enjoyed a restful and peaceful summer holiday.

Here is some information about class activities and expectations, and the work that is planned for this term.

Your child will need the following items in school on the appropriate days:

Monday	- Reading book Wear P.E. kit
Tuesday	- Reading book Wear P.E. kit
Wednesday	- Reading book (Reading Record and Homework due in)
Thursday	- Reading book (Homework and Spellings go out).
Friday	- Reading book

Children must come to school wearing their P.E. kit on the days they have P.E.

Homework is set every Thursday and must be returned by the following **Wednesday**.

Reading books should not be left at school all week but should go home each day and be read. It will help your child improve immensely if you can listen to them read regularly and ask them questions about the story they are reading to aid comprehension. **Your child should read for at least 15 to 20 minutes each evening.** A reading record is provided for you or your child to record the date, title and pages read, as well as a comment if appropriate, each time they read. These records are checked each week, so please make sure they are kept up to date – children will receive a respect token for reading 5 times a week.

Children may bring in a bottle of water (sports cap please) to drink in the classroom. Please note that unless there is a medical reason, only water should be drunk during class, not squash or juice.

Homework

In Key Stage 2, homework will consist of English and Maths and weekly spellings.

Homework will be issued on a Thursday to be handed in on a Wednesday.

All homework should be completed in writing with a pencil.

Reading Records

We ask parents to complete the reading record when they have read with their child. Reading Records are monitored weekly. ☺ 5 reads or more, ☺ 3 and 4 and ☹ for 0, 1 or 2 reads.

The work we shall be covering this term includes:

English

In English we will begin by looking at a book called 'The Tin Forest'.

After half term we will be moving onto Phillip Pullman 'The Firework Maker's Daughter'.

Please do not read these stories before hand as some lessons require children to predict events coming up in the narrative.

Maths

The children need to know and be secure in their number bonds to 10, along with their times tables. The expectation is that by the end of year 3 the children will know all their tables up to 12x12 and be able to recall these quickly. The order for tables will be 2, 5, 10, 3, 4, 8, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12.

This term we will focus on place value and the 4 operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Across all of the topics covered children will be expected to use reasoning and problem-solving skills.

Science

In Science this half-term we will be studying forces and magnets. We will consider what a force is, types of forces as well as investigating how magnets work.

After half-term we will be studying rocks. This will include discussing different types of rocks, and investigating properties and the formation of fossils.

Computing

During the Autumn term we will be learning about using a programme called scratch to learn simple coding.

Geography

During the first half of term we will be learning about the UK. After half-term we will be studying mountains and volcanoes.

RE

During the first half of term, we will be learning about Judaism.

French

The children will be learning how to greet someone and introduce themselves.

Art

During the first half term the children will be exploring painting, looking particularly at 'Starry Night' By Vincent Van Gogh. It would be very useful if the children could bring in an old shirt or painting apron which can be left in school.

Design and Technology

This term's DT Unit is all about designing, making and evaluating picture frames.

Music

This term our topic will be based around the environment. The children will be learning about rhythm, singing in parts and rounds.

P.E.

During the first half term, we will be learning the skills required for netball, including chest passes, shoulder passes and pivoting.

Children must come to school wearing their P.E. kit on the days they have P.E. Please make sure they are wearing kit appropriate for the weather. Children who cannot remove earrings must bring in their own micropore tape.

PHSE

During this term, we will be learning about ourselves and our relationships with others.

How You Can Help Your Child At Home.

Presentation of homework should always be of a high standard. Please encourage your child to take care over their presentation. Examples of our presentation are attached.

Find words in the environment to read with your child, e.g. shop signs, food labels etc., and encourage as much reading as possible at home.

Write thank you letters after visits to grandparents, receiving presents etc.

Write shopping lists, and help deal with money and change in the shops.

Help your child learn their full name, address, date of birth and telephone numbers.

Help your child to learn and practise their number bonds and times tables, testing them frequently.

Help your child to develop awareness of time, and learn to use clocks and watches.

Encourage your child to research topics of interest in books or on the computer.

Encourage the use of educational programs on the computer.

Encourage your child to take up interests and hobbies, and to join clubs at school or in the local area.

Parent consultations

Parent consultations will be taking place on the 18th, 19th and 20th October.

Thank you for taking the time to read our Termly newsletter. If you need to speak to us, please contact the school office and we will be happy to discuss any concerns.

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The timetables for Year 3 are as follows:

Monday	P.E. - 3S English/Maths Alternating	Assembly + Break	P.E. - 3E English/Maths Alternating	Guided Reading	Lunch	PPA French	PPA R.E.
Tuesday	Maths		English	Guided Reading		P.E.	History/Geography
Wednesday	Maths		English	Guided Reading		Science	Science
Thursday	Maths		English	Guided Reading		Art	Music
Friday	Maths		English			Computing/PSHE	STAR TIME- 2:30pm