

Heathfield Junior School
Curriculum Bulletin

Year 3

Autumn 2017

English:

This term in English we will begin by studying the text 'Gregory Cool' and explore differences in cultures as the story is set in the Caribbean. We will then read 'Mouse, Bird, Snake, Wolf', written by David Almond and illustrated in graphical novel style, which will enable children to explore the beauty and dangers of nature. Later on we will be reading the book 'The Ice Palace' by Robert Swindells and we will finish the term studying 'The Girl and the Fox' from the Literacy Shed.

We would also like to remind you of the importance of reading with your child at home **EVERY NIGHT** and completing their red reading journal. This record will be looked at and signed by your child's class teacher every day.

Maths:

In maths we will be mastering a range of skills within the topics of: place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, measure, geometry and fractions. Please work with your child on learning their times tables so that they can be tested in school.

Science:

This term we will be studying 'Moving and Eating' and also 'Marvellous Magnets' using a range of practical experiments and experiences.

Think Link:

Our topics this term will be The Stone Age (Autumn 1) and Fairtrade (Autumn 2). It would be lovely if the children could bring in any information or artefacts about these topics that could be used and looked at in the classroom.

Homework:

Your child should bring home a reading book and red reading journal to be signed each day. Please use this for any messages.

Reading and Maths homework will be sent out alternative weeks.

They will be set on a **Thursday** to be returned the **following Monday**.

PE:

Please ensure that your child has *full PE kit in school every day*. This includes black shorts or jogging bottoms, a T-shirt in team colours and trainers. **Their first T-shirt will be provided by the school.**

Games for the whole year group takes place on a **Wednesday**.

Analogue - PE lessons are on Mondays and Wednesdays. Numerator - PE lessons are on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Halving - PE lessons are on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Swimming will take place during the second half of the spring term and all of the summer term.

Dates for the Diary:

Wednesday 27th September: Stone Age workshop with Portals to the Past.

Parents Evenings: **Monday 16th October 5.00pm to 8.00pm,**

Tuesday 17th October 4.00pm to 6.00pm

We will also be having a Fairtrade coffee morning during Autumn 2.

Help Required

Class teachers are always grateful for offers of help in the classroom. We are particularly looking for help hearing children read. If you are able to assist in this way please see your child's class teacher.

How to Contact Us

We are always happy to see you and discuss any queries or concerns you may have, but please be aware that we need to go in with our class as soon as the bell has rung in the morning. If you need to make an appointment at any time please contact the school office or see us after school.

Miss Rowlands- Analogue Class and Year Group Leader

Mrs Lucas-Brown and Mr Brewer- Halving class

Miss Cherrett - Numerator Class