

## Heathfield Junior School Curriculum Bulletin

Year 3

Summer 2025

Welcome back, we hope you all had a pleasant and relaxing holiday.

### The Heathfield Way

'The Heathfield Way' underpins all that we do in school. We expect all members of the Heathfield community to:

- Learn and let others learn
- Respect all people and property
- Work hard and try their very best
- When children follow, 'The Heathfield Way' they will be awarded house points, which are recorded in their reading diary.

### English

This term in English we will be studying a range of different books. In the first term, we will be studying the novel *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by *Roald Dahl*. In the second term we will be reading the Picture Book *Moth* and we will then move on to some poetry at the end of the year.

### Reading Diary

Reading and books are a huge part of our life at Heathfield. Therefore, in Year 3 children are expected to read aloud to an adult at home **every** day for about 15-20 minutes. After they have read, the children need to record the title of the book and comment about what they have read in their reading diary. An adult from home should then sign next to the comment. Your child's teacher will then read your child's comment and sign the reading diary too.

We understand that sometimes children find it hard to write a comment about what they have read so here are some ideas about what they might write about:

- What has happened in the book so far?
- Who is their favourite character and why?
- Who is their least favourite character and why?
- What they predict is going to happen next?



### Maths

In maths we will be mastering a range of skills within the topics of: measure (mass and capacity), money, time, shape (2D and 3D) and statistics.

Just like in the first two terms, the children will be completing an arithmetic test on a **Friday**.

### Times Tables

Please continue to work with your child on learning their times tables. This is extremely important as it supports their learning in a range of mathematical areas.



In order to help your children learn their times tables we will continue to use **Times Table Rock Stars**, the online website where your children can practise their times tables through fun and interactive games.

Your child's login details are located at the front of the reading journal. We will be using this website in school but also ask that children login and practise at home as well.

### Science

Our first topic in the Summer term will be '*How does my garden grow.*' This engaging topic about plants is always a big hit with children who are interested in nature and growing things. In summer 2 we will be learning about mirrors and lights in the topic, '*Mirror, mirror.*'

### Humanities

In Summer 1, we will be studying our Geography topic *Fairtrade*. In Summer 2, we will return to history and learn about the *Iron Age*, which builds on the children's skills and knowledge from our *Stone Age*, *Indus Valley* and *Egyptian* topics earlier in the year.

A knowledge organiser will be published so that you can see an outline of the knowledge and skills your child will be taught in these topics. Please have a look at this with your child and ask them what they have been doing in school.

## **Homework**

### **Non-core and Maths homework**

Non-core and Maths homework will continue to be sent out on alternative weeks. They will be set on a Monday to be returned on the following Monday.

### **Spellings**

Spelling homework will be set every Friday and should be returned on the Friday.

Each week children should achieve 20 points in their spelling home work by choosing different ways to practise. During the Autumn term, the children were shown different activities to practise their spellings and a list of these can be found in your child's spelling book.

## **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.

*All year 3 PE lessons are on Wednesday afternoons as well as swimming on a Thursday.*

## **School Uniform**

At Heathfield Junior School we pride ourselves on our smart appearance. All children are expected to wear:

- Purple school sweatshirt or cardigan
- Fleece with school logo
- White/purple polo shirt
- White, black or grey socks
- Black shoes **(no boots or sandals)**
- Black or grey tailored trousers/skirt **(no leggings)**
- Purple and white summer dresses

## **Important dates**

- Egyptian Day: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May
- Trip to Kew Gardens – date TBC
- Swimming lessons continue on a Thursday afternoon (refer to separate letter for dates)
- Junior Sports Day – date TBC

## **How to Contact Us**

We are always happy to see you and discuss any queries or concerns you may have.

If you need to make an appointment at any time please contact the school office via telephone 020 8894 3525 or email: [office@heathfield-jun.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:office@heathfield-jun.richmond.sch.uk)

We look forward to a successful year

*Miss Turnbull – Year Group Leader – Maui Class*

*Ms Tarin – Shamsia Class*

*Miss Belaid – Austen Class*