

Mountain Adventure!

Summer Term.

This term we will be learning about mountains, in particular, the effects eco-tourism has on mountains, especially the Yosemite National Park in North America. We will also be focusing on natural disasters such as avalanches and volcanic eruptions.

In English, we will initially be using explanation texts to create our own inventions. This will lead us onto reading and writing adventure stories based on *How to Train Your Dragon* by Cressida Cowell.

In Science, we will be investigating plants and other animals including humans including looking at the impact of exercise on our bodies.

In Design and Technology the children will be creating their own recipe for a healthy mountaineering lunch and in Art they will be studying the work of American photographer Ansel Adams and taking their own photographs for display



We will continue to cover a range of topics in maths including Number, Place Value, Shape, Measure, Money and Handling Data. Could you please support your child's learning by practising the x2, x3, x5, x10 times tables and consolidating x4 and x8.

Homework

Reading- In Year 3, the children are encouraged to fill in comments about the book they read in their Superstar reader. Please encourage your children to engage with the process and to complete **at least 4 entries per week**.

Their diaries will be checked weekly.

Spellings - Every Friday, the children will be given their list of spellings. The expectation is that they practice these spellings daily at home in a variety of ways including, Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check, identifying phonics patterns and writing them in sentences to re-enforce their understanding. We also expect the children to continue to refresh themselves with the Year 3/4 spelling list regularly as this will be tested on each half term.

Numeracy - Please support your children by helping them to practice their times tables and number facts to 100.

On a Friday, homework will be sent home to be completed by the following week. This may take the form of Maths, Literacy or Theme to support our work in class.

As the weather warms up, it becomes even more vital for your child to have a bottle for water available to them in school. A named sun hat or cap is also advisable in the warmer weather. The morning snack must be a piece of fresh fruit or veg.

In the summer term, the Year 3 children will have swimming lessons. These will be on Monday afternoon and will be held over 5 sessions. They will need to have a swimsuit and towel in a suitable named bag. They will also need to bring in a PE kit on their first day back at school. This will need to be available every week Monday to Friday.

Many thanks,

The Year 3 Team,

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