

Burlish Park Year 3 Newsletter

Spring Term 2024

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed a fantastic Christmas break!

Writing

As writers, we will be focusing on improving our descriptive writing. We will be developing our skills when describing settings and developing characters.

Reading



As readers, we will be improving our ability to read fluently and begin to make inferences from a text, make comparisons within stories and improve our skills of retrieving information and facts.

Maths

As mathematicians, we will continue to develop our multiplication and division skills by multiplying and dividing with and without exchange. We will then begin to explore length and perimeter, mass and capacity and fractions.



You can continue to support your child at home by practising mental addition and subtraction, division and multiplication. Don't forget to use the Times Table Rockstars at home! (www.ttrockstars.com). We will continue to focus on 2s, 5s, 10, 3s, 4s and 8s.

Cross Curricular Subjects

As **scientists**, we will be exploring how friction affects movement and the life cycle of a flowering plant.

As **artists**, we will plan and produce a 3D sculpture of a face using different mediums such as papier-mache, wire and clay.

As **digital creators**, we will write programs and algorithms that use a range of events to trigger sequences of actions and collect and organise data into a database to create simple graphs.

As **technologists**, we will investigate carbohydrates and understand different food allergies and their effects.

As **geographers**, we will look at megacities and the reasons why so many people live there.

As **historians**, we will be exploring the similarities and differences between the Egyptian civilisation and Britain.

As **linguists**, we will be exploring animals and how to name animals in Spanish and improve our vocabulary.

As **musicians**, the children will be learning about Reggae music, focusing particularly on Bob Marley as a Reggae artist and his song Three Little Birds.

As **sportspeople**, on Mondays, 3T will be swimming and 3B will be working on their health and fitness. On Wednesday, 3F and 3T will be practising their gymnastic skills then will be working on their target skills.

As **theologists**, we will investigate what it is like to follow God as well as why Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'.

In **My Life**, we will be looking at being part of a community and the importance of exercise for our bodies.

Accelerated Reading

We do expect children to be read with daily. Asking questions about the text engages children and helps check their understanding of what they have read. After reading, please sign and put a comment in their Reading and Homework Diary. When your child has read their book, they will complete an Accelerated Reading test.

Physical Education

P.E. takes place every Monday and Wednesday. **All PE kit** needs to be named, including trainers. Children need a white t-shirt or house t-shirt, navy or black shorts, spare socks and trainers. The children will also need a navy or black tracksuit for the cooler weather. 3T will be swimming this term so they will need to remember their swimming kit, including a towel.

School Jumpers

Please ensure all jumpers (and property in general) have your child's name in. It is almost impossible to reunite them if they have no name and class label.



Reminders

Parents/carers need to book and pay for school lunches on ParentPay by midnight on Tuesday for the following week. Please see the office if you need any help with ParentPay.

Homework

Maths, English and spelling homework will be uploaded on a Friday via Seesaw. This will be due for the following Friday. We do expect children to complete homework every week.

Stationery

In Year 3, children are expected to bring their own stationery. The children will need a sensible sized pencil case that fits in their draw, as well as pencils, a rubber, ruler, sharpener, colouring pencils (not pens) and colourless glue sticks.

Attendance & Lateness

Year 3 are striving to get 100% attendance! Please only keep your child at home if really necessary and ensure that they are on time for the start of lessons.

Staffing

Mr Thwaites, Mr Fletcher, Mrs Harper and Mrs Llewelyn.

And finally...

As ever, please feel free to approach us with any concerns or ideas, preferably at the end of the school day.