YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER

January 2022

Happy New Year!

Our Island



Welcome back! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year. We are kicking off the year with our new geography topic of 'Our Island' where we will journey around the UK and our local area to explore both physical and human geography and famous landmarks.

In science we will be learning all about plants; how they grow, water transportation, seed dispersal and the properties of plants and hopefully get growing some of our own!







On Mondays in PE we will be learning how to play netball and begin applying attacking and defending principles in a competitive game. On Wednesdays we are exploring OAA where the children will work on their teamwork skills and complete a range of tasks.

In computing we will develop our touch typing skills using Purple Mash. Remember you can use this at home too!





Maths

This term we will be exploring multiplication and division facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. We look at

the relationship between multiplication and division and then move on to multiplying a 2-digit number.

In term 4 we are due to move on to telling the time to the nearest minute, writing and ordering the time in both analogue and

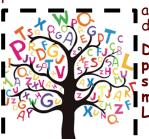
digital forms and comparing durations.

Finally, we will end the term with fractions where will be adding, subtracting and ordering fractions. Mathletics homework is set weekly!



In English we begin with learning how to write explanation texts all about how plants grow. We then move on to learning how to

write recounts based on a walk through the woods exploring our local environment. We end the term learning how to write persuasive letter all about plastic pollution



and what we want to do to help!

Don't forget to practise your spellings at home and make use of LexiaCore5!







Reading

Children should be reading daily for at least 5-10 minutes with an adult. This can be a school book or another book of their choice, so long as they're reading!

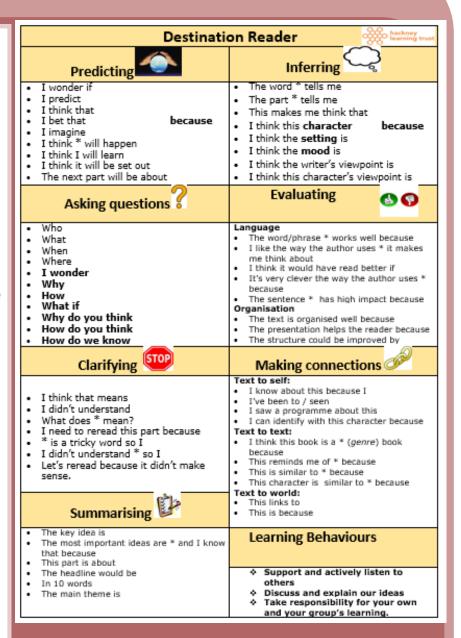
This term in Year 3 we will continue our Destination Reader sessions where we have dedicated reading lessons every day focusing on children reading independently, in pairs and in adult focused groups.

The children will develop their comprehension skills through the 7 reading strategies;

- -Prediction
- -Clarifying
- -Questioning
- -Making Links
- -Summarising -Evaluating
- -Inference

They will also be applying different learning behaviours. The children are already seeing these skills being applied across the curriculum! If you have any questions about this, please ask away!

Keep an eye on Class Dojo for reading updates and ways of supporting your child.



USEFUL WEBSITES

Reading

www.lexiacore5.com

For Maths

www.mathletics.co.uk



Cross Curriculum

www.purplemash.com