

Class 3's Learning letter

Welcome back! We hope you have all had a lovely summer break and are ready to get back a routine. We know that it is an unusual time for us all but I am excited for us to have a fresh start in Class 3. We are very excited to start our new topic all about The Great Plague 1666. It might get a bit gruesome but I'm sure the children will love learning all about the plague and how it affected the people of London.

If you have any questions or need to speak to one of us, feel free to pop me a message on Class Dojo or catch me at the gate in the morning.
Mrs Wild and Mrs Thompson



English

This term we will be covering different areas of literacy:

- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
- Fairy Tales
- Debate

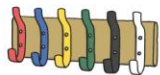
Throughout this topic we will be basing our Literacy around different types of fairy tales, with The Pied Piper being our main text. We will look at the text in detail, discussing the vocabulary used and the moral dilemma that surrounds it. Children will then have the opportunity to write their own version of The Pied Piper set in Hapton! We will then look at the structure and content of debates before we write our own based on the Pied Piper story – 'Was the Pied Piper right to take the children?' Throughout all of our literacy work, there will be a focus on grammar, punctuation and spelling as well as handwriting and presentation.

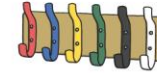
Maths

This term we will be focusing on several areas of Numeracy:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Inverse Operations

This half term will be spent recapping key areas of maths. We will be focusing on reading and writing larger numbers, comparing them and understanding what each digit means. We will be using a lot of concrete apparatus before moving on to pictures and more abstract maths. We will then move on to mental methods to add and subtract numbers to 10000 and then look at written methods too. We will be using Maths Shed this year to further embed learning from in the classroom at home and in school.





Key learning in History

Through this topic the children will be looking at an event that happened in Britain – The Great Plague 1666. Children will be looking at the symptoms of the plague, cures and plague doctors, how it affected London and how it ended.

Key learning in Geography

Our focus this half term is how humans affect the Earth. In particular, we will be looking at rubbish and recycling and how we are damaging our Earth (and oceans!)

Key learning in Art

Class 3 will be looking the artist Escher and his famous sketch 'The Eye'. The children will sketch their own eye using a range of mediums.

RE

This half term our R.E unit is Christianity with a focus question of 'What does it mean to be called by God?' Throughout this unit we will explore different bible stories related to this. Our Christian value is

Thankfulness.

Homework

It is very important that children complete their homework each week.

Reading Books

In Class 3, we want children to read at home at least three times a week. We also encourage children to be more responsible and independent and ask that they bring their book into class every day and put it in the reading book box. The adults in the class will read with them throughout the week so it is important that it is in school every day.

Spellings

Earlier this week I sent a spelling sheet home that has the next 6 weeks spelling lists on. Week by week, please look at the spellings with your child and encourage them to practise them independently. We will have a spelling test each Friday. The children's spellings will also be uploaded to the Spelling Shed website that your child has a log in to access.

<https://www.spellingshed.com/>

Maths Shed

Maths Shed has the same log in as Spelling Shed. Children can practise their times tables, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

'We are Reading' initiative.

At Hapton School we are a reading school and together we are promoting the love of reading and books with the children. In Class 3 we will be doing this through shared reading together, exploring new books and favourite authors.

PE

Lessons will be on a Wednesday afternoon. Children will need to come into school wearing their PE kit. They do not need to bring their school uniform as they will stay in their PE kit all day. Please make sure children still bring a coat when they are wearing their PE kits. There are no swimming lessons during the autumn term.

