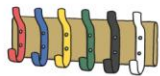


Class 3's Learning letter



Welcome back! We hope you have all had a lovely half term break and are ready for a busy term as we prepare for Christmas!

We are very excited to start our new topic all about Electricity! Through our topic we will learn all about electricity; what it is, how it's made and why it's useful. We will also become scientists and use electricity ourselves to create circuits.

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
- Explanation texts
- Fantasy Stories

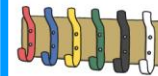
Throughout this topic we will be basing our English lessons around a book by the fantastic author Phillip Pullman called 'The Firework Maker's Daughter'. We will go on a journey with Lila, the daughter of a firework maker, who tries to follow in her dad's footsteps but she ends up at a terrifying volcano! We will innovate part of the story with our own ideas. We will also be looking at explanation texts with our main text focusing on volcanoes. Throughout all our literacy work, there will be a focus on grammar, punctuation and spelling as well as handwriting and presentation.

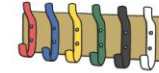
Maths

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

- Place Value Consolidation
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and division strategies

This half term will continue recapping and consolidating key areas of maths. This half term our main focus will be on multiplication and division. By the end of year 4, children should know all times tables up to 12 x 12 so it would be a great help if children could practise them on Maths Shed. This will also help them in our maths lessons this half term as we start multiplying larger numbers. We will be using a lot of concrete apparatus to help us when multiplying and dividing before moving on to pictures, models and more abstract maths.





Key learning in Science

Through this topic the children will be exploring electrical appliances and investigating electricity using science equipment.

Key learning in PSHE

Throughout this half term the children will focus on 'safe relationships' and 'respecting ourselves and others'

Key learning in DT

Class 3 will use what they have learnt about circuits in science to incorporate a working circuit into a design.

Key Learning in Computing

This half term, we will catch up on missed learning on our coding topic before moving on to spreadsheets. All our computing work is completed on Purple Mash.

RE

This half term our R.E unit is Islam with a focus question of 'Who has the X-Factor?' We will also look at the Christmas story during our RE week later on in the half term. Our Christian value is peace.

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.

