

# Equipment

PE lessons are on Mondays in terms 1,3 and 5, and Mondays and Tuesdays in terms 2,4 and 6. Children must have clothes they can get dirty (often very dirty!). This needs to **include trainers**, that are **not** their outdoor shoes. Warm fleeces/jumpers are **essential** during the winter months as it is very cold! Please ensure that the children have their indoor and outdoor kit at school throughout the week as we may change the PE day due to the weather.

**Swimming** kits will be needed on Thursdays of Term 1. Your child will need: a towel, a swimming hat and a one piece swimming costume for girls or swimming shorts that are above the knee for boys. Please provide written permission if your child requires goggles.

**Please ensure all items are labelled!**



**Absence:** If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please inform the office by telephone or their class teacher in person, otherwise they will be marked down as an 'unauthorised absence'. Extended absence through illness, whilst sometimes unavoidable, can have a detrimental effect on your child's progress.

# Literacy

In Literacy this term, we will begin by exploring alternative versions of traditional tales, as well as writing instructions, recounts and fables. We will also study a range of poetry.

Our weekly spellings will be assessed on Wednesday. We ask that you encourage your child to focus on the spelling pattern of the word and discuss its meaning to help them use it in the correct context. Your child should have brought home a list of spellings for the whole of Term 1. The spelling lists will also be available on the school website.

# Reading

In Year 3, we work hard to improve your child's reading ability. This can only be truly successful with your support. We ask that all children read to an adult, at least **3 times a week** at home. Please record and sign this in their Reading Record.

When reading at home, please ask your child a range of questions to help develop their comprehension skills.

Thank you for your continued support in this area of the curriculum.

# Science

During Term 1 we will be studying 'Animals including Humans'. This will focus on the importance of nutrition, and the main body parts associated with skeletons and muscles.

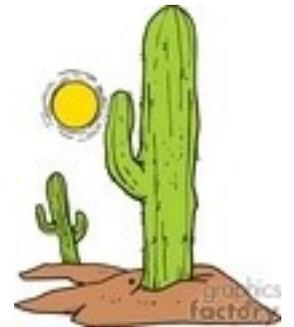
During Term 2 we will be learning about Rocks This will include learning the layers of the Earth, the three main types of rock and their uses.



# Geography



Our Geography topic this term will be 'Weather'. We will cover weather symbols and ask the children to create their own weather forecasts. We will also be researching different climates with a focus on deserts and tropical regions. At home children are encouraged to research these topics and share what they have found out with the rest of the class.



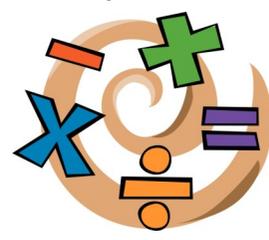
# Dates for the Diary

<b>September</b>	
<b>13th</b>	Parents Open Afternoon from 3:15 –4pm
<b>22nd</b>	Ms Rainer's Lion Class Assembly
<b>27th</b>	Mathletics Parents Information Evening 6-7pm
<b>October</b>	
<b>10th</b>	Harvest Festival - St Edburg's Church
<b>16th 17th</b>	Parents Evening
<b>16th- 20th</b>	International Week
<b>23nd- 29th</b>	Half term
<b>November</b>	
<b>15th</b>	Calculation Evening 6-7:30pm
<b>17th</b>	Children in Need
<b>27th- 30th</b>	Assessment Week
<b>December</b>	
<b>1st</b>	Christmas Craft Day
<b>13th</b>	Musical Extravaganza
<b>19th</b>	Christmas Church Service and term finishes at 1:30pm

# Maths

A range of skills will be covered as outlined in the new National Curriculum. This will include: number and place value, addition and subtraction, measurement, geometry, properties and reasoning about number, multiplication and division, fractions, and statistics.

Please encourage your child to learn the 3, 4, 6, and 8 times table. They will also need to have rapid recall of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. It would benefit your child if they could practise everyday maths skills such as telling the time in 5 minute intervals, handling money, measuring and weighing (cooking). Children will be given weekly Maths homework. This will be handed out on a Thursday and is due in the following Tuesday. If your child is finding the homework difficult, please ask them to seek help from the teacher before the due date.



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# Curriculum Newsletter

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# Year 3