

# 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. 'Key Questions' sheets are available from the class teacher.

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

# Equipment

## PE Kit:

Please ensure your child has the following items:

- Trainers
- Black/dark blue jogging bottoms
- Black/dark blue shorts
- A white tee-shirt or a King's Meadow Sports top
- Black/dark blue jumper



## Swimming

Swimming kits will be needed on Thursdays of Term 5. 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.

During Term 5 and 6, please also ensure your child has:

- A sun hat
- An extra bottle of water to keep on their desk (especially if your child has hot dinners)

**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.

**Homework:** This term will continue to set on Mathematics. If your child is finding the homework difficult, please ask them to seek help from the teacher before Tuesday or ensure that they sign up for Homework Club on Friday after school.

# Literacy

In Literacy this term, we will begin by developing our story writing skills, as well as exploring non chronological reports and instructions. We will then spend time in lessons learning about poems, with a particular focus on haikus, tankas and kennings.

This term, our weekly spellings will continue to be assessed on Thursdays. 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 6. The spelling lists will also be available on the school website.



# Science

During Term 5 and 6, we will be studying 'Plants'. This will include naming parts and describing the functions of a plant, the life cycle of plants and the requirements for life and growth.



# History

Our exciting History topic this term will be Pre-historic Britain and the Romans. We will cover aspects of the Stone Age, Bronze Age and the Iron Age. We are looking forward to our visit to Hill End, where we will experience a range of Iron Age activities.

While studying the Romans, the children will learn about the Roman invasions of Britain, Boudicca's rebellion and the Romanisation of Britain. We will also have a Roman themed day in Term 6.



# Dates for the Diary

## May

<b>16th</b>	Class Eight's Hill End visit
<b>17th</b>	Class Five's Hill End visit
<b>19th</b>	Class Eight's assembly
<b>22nd— 26th</b>	Art Week

## June

<b>15th</b>	Inset Day
<b>10th</b>	Summer Fayre
<b>12th</b>	French Day
<b>19th- 23rd</b>	Year Three assessment week
<b>20th</b>	Year Three Roman Day
<b>23rd</b>	Class Five's assembly

## July

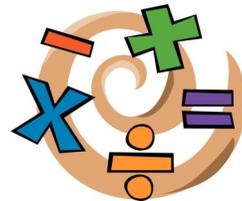
<b>4th</b>	Key Stage Two Sport's Day
<b>5th</b>	Transition morning
<b>14th</b>	PTA disco
<b>21st</b>	End of Term 1:30pm finish

# 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.

By now your child should know the 2, 5 and 10 times table of by heart. Please now encourage your child to learn the 3, 4, and 8 times table, so they have rapid recall of them.

It would also benefit your child if they could practise basic mental arithmetic skills. We would recommend using Live Mathletics and/or a selection of games on the website: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>



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