

Rothwell Schools Year 3 News

Term 2 Newsletter

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Introduction

Firstly, we would like to thank you for your support during your child's first term in Year 3. The children had a great first term at Rothwell Junior School and have settled back in quickly after the well-deserved Christmas break. This newsletter is to keep you informed of your child's learning and activities across the year group during the spring term.

Events

The Year 3 play will take place on Tuesday 24th March. There will be an afternoon and evening performance. More details will follow nearer the time.

As part of our Investigations Week, we will be holding an open afternoon on Wednesday 12th February from 2:30pm.

PE days in Year 3

Please ensure that your child has a clearly labelled PE kit in school. The days for PE are outlined below:

Wednesday (swimming will continue <u>until</u> February half term).	Thursday
After February half term, the children will have their PE session on a Monday morning.	

P.E Kit/Clothing

Children should have shorts, t-shirts and trainers in school at all times in a clearly labelled PE bag. We advise that they also have jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt because some of our sessions will be outside. On PE and swimming days the children will be asked to tie their hair back and to take earrings out.

Please ensure your child's school clothes, including coats, are also clearly labelled.

Important points to note

- Please make sure every child has their reading book and reading diary in school every day.
- The drink bottles that the children have in the classroom should only have **water** in them.
- Children should only bring in **fresh fruit, vegetables** or **cheese** for their morning snack.
- As a polite reminder, children should not be wearing nail polish to school or earrings that are not studs.

Reading, Spellings and Times Tables

It is a school expectation that every child will read at home three times a week and their reading record will be written in by their parent/carer.

Weekly spellings will be sent home to be learnt for a weekly test.

Your child will be expected to learn the weekly times tables which are tested in class.

We have renewed our membership for IXL so your child should be able to use the login details they were given at the start of the year to practise their maths skills.

Curriculum Overview for Term 2

Please see below what the children will be learning about during the spring term.

Year Three		
English	Maths	Topic
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A poem and non-chronological report on rainforest animals.• A short story set in a rainforest based on Rudyard Kipling's Just So stories.• Instructions linked to our work on deciduous forests.• We will continue practising answering retrieval questions from a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts and will be moving onto to vocabulary questions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiplication• Division• Money• Statistic• Length and Perimeter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are rainforests and where are they located?• The layers of rainforests and creating a diorama.• What is deforestation?• Deforestation art.• Who lives in the rainforest?• What are deciduous forests and where are they located?• How are deciduous forests different to rainforests?
You could support your child by...		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listening to your child read three times a week.• Asking questions to check children's understanding of texts (ideas for questions can be found at the start of your child's reading diary).• Weekly spellings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Everyday life skills such as telling the time and handling and using money.• Encouraging children to use the IXL and Times Tables Rock Stars website.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asking questions about their learning.

We escort the children on to the playground at the end of the day which allows us to share relevant information with you or allows you the opportunity to quickly share any relevant information with us. If you would like to speak to a member of staff in more detail, please make an appointment at the office.

Thank you for your continued support,

Year 3 staff