SOUTH BOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL Year 3 Learning Newsletter - Term 3

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The **BIG** question...

How can I change the world?

Welcome to Term 3- Happy New Year!

We are really excited about the different learning and activities that have planned for this term which we are sure the children will enjoy. Our overall question for this term is 'How can I change the world?' We will explore this question through our class novel, The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo, our geography lessons as well as our PSHE lessons.

Please continue to support your child with their learning through the use of Mathletics, Times Table Rockstars, Lexia and their home reading.

<u>English</u>

Our English learning this term will be focusing on ensuring our writing contains a range of vocabulary. We will be writing a variety of different texts including a diary entry and poem.

<u>Science</u>

Our new topic in Science is 'Plants', where we will be looking closely at the different parts of a plant and their function as well as understanding the life cycle of plants.



Computing

The children will continue to explore coding through the use of Scratch before moving onto email where the children will learn to send emails with attachments.

Religious Education

Our big question in RE is 'Why do people pray?' This investigation will enable pupils to learn in depth from different religious and spiritual ways of life about prayer.



<u>Maths</u>

We will be spending time recapping the skills learnt so far in year 3 before moving onto looking at money. We will be converting between pounds and pence and mastering the addition and subtraction of money and how to calculate change.

Please spend time with your child reminding them of the different coins and their values.

Geography

This term our focus is geography where we will be recapping our knowledge of continents and oceans. We will then explore Europe and its countries, comparing areas of Europe to the UK. Children will be given a chance to share their heritage with the class during our Around the World afternoon.

Physical Education

Education Children will be introduced to tennis when they will learn the skills to enable them to play a game eg bat and ball skills.

During our dance lesson we will be learning through the movement of animals.



<u>Music</u>

This term our music focus is going to be based around one song, *Three Little Birds* by Bob Marley. We will be singing, playing instruments and composing using this song.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE)

Through our PSHE lessons this term, year 3 will be thinking about our individual 'Dreams and Goals'. During our sessions we will be focusing on: staying motivated when dealing with something challenging, persevering even when something is really difficult, working well with a partner or in a group, having a positive attitude, helping others and working hard to achieve their own dreams and goals.

Art / Design and Technology

3F and 3S are alternating Art and D&T over the first two terms giving both classes equal opportunities.

This term, 3F are going to be working with Miss Webb in the art room, they will be learning about texture and materials and how to use them in art. They will create artworks using a variety of media and study Gustav Klimt. They will also learn about batiks and resist techniques.

3S will be starting our 'Cooking and Nutrition' unit where we will be: studying a healthy diet, understanding where food comes from (and linking this to the seasons), gain a better understanding of how and where different foods are grown or sourced, and preparing some meals of our own.



Speaking and Listening (talking points for you and your child at home)

A great way to get your child talking at home is to ask them some open ended questions.

- 1. Teach me something you have learnt...
- 2. **Why** do you think...
- 3. How do you know...
- 4. **Why** do you think this has happened?
- 5. **Predict** what will happen next...

Recommended Reading for this term

The Abominables by Eva Ibbotson Flood by Alvaro F Villa The Boy who grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd



Reminders and Important Dates

- Children's Mental Health Week.
- Safer Internet Day.
- **PE days** every Tuesday and Friday.
- Please wear the correct PE kits on these days.



Home Learning

