

# Year 3 Newsletter

## Summer Term 1



### The Year 3 Team

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#### Namibia:

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If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your child's class teacher or use the [year3@brampton.newham.sch.uk](mailto:year3@brampton.newham.sch.uk) email address.

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful Easter break. It has been wonderful to see the children come back in to school ready to learn. The Year 3 teachers have been impressed with the children's enthusiasm. They have returned with a great amount of focus and are excited to continue building their own personal success. The Year 3 team are eager to continue to build and develop positive working relationships and would encourage you to communicate with us if you have any queries or concerns. Our year group email address is:

[year3@brampton.newham.sch.uk](mailto:year3@brampton.newham.sch.uk)

You are also welcome to speak to your child's class teacher after school when you collect your child. Alternatively, please call the school office to arrange an appointment.

#### Home Learning:

Home Learning will continue to Times Table Rock Stars and MyMaths. Children should regularly make use of Times Table Rock Stars and reading on Oxford Reading Buddy (ORB) or a book that they have at home. It is expected that all children are reading at home, every day, for 20-30 minutes and recording this in their reading record. To ensure we work together to improve your child's reading success, we would like to ask you to monitor their daily reading closely and ensure they record their reading in their reading record and bring their reading record to school every day. Thank you so much for your ongoing support and encouragement with the children's learning. We look forward to seeing the projects that the children create in relation to their curriculum topic.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to working with you and your child this year.

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### Educational visit/experience



#### Colchester Zoo visit

As you will be aware, last year's end of Year Two celebration had to be postponed due to the heatwave. We have rescheduled the visit to Colchester Zoo for Thursday 27th April 2023.

The children will be taking part in an educational session on *Plants and Animals*. During this session, children will be discussing the main categories of plants. Following this, children will learn the main parts of more complex plants, including seeds. Children will get the chance to guess which method seeds use to disperse, including which ones rely on animals. Working in small groups, pupils have a go at identifying real leaves. Moving back to animals, the three main types of diet (herbivore, omnivore, and carnivore) are illustrated through the use of animal skulls to examine their teeth. Pupils will then discover some of the methods plants use to prevent animals from eating them, and how some plants use animals to keep themselves safe.

### Y3 PE Days:

**Ghana:** Monday and Friday

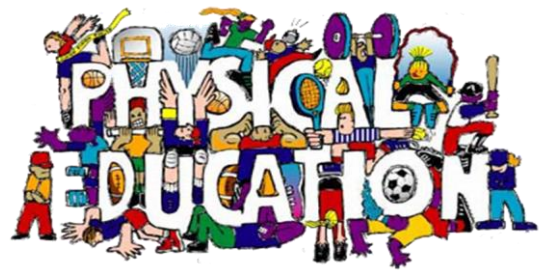
**South Africa:** Monday and Thursday

**Namibia:** Monday and Tuesday

**Zimbabwe:** Monday and Tuesday

Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days. This should be in line with Brampton's uniform expectations.

Appropriate clothing suitable for the weather should be worn. Your child will require a bottle of water.



### Curriculum

**English:** This term the whole school focus will be on journey and exploration. The children will be working towards writing their own recount/diary entry of a journey.

**Maths:** Year 3 will start the term by learning how to create and interpret pictograms and bar charts. They will then move onto exploring fractions. The start of the topic involves tenths and then understanding fractions as division. Children will move on to finding fractions of whole numbers as part of a set and looking at sharing 1 and more than 1. Children will explore equivalent fractions and look at simplifying fractions before comparing fractions with different denominators. Towards the end of the topic, children will be adding and subtracting fractions.

**History:** The topic that will be explored is *What was it like to live in Ancient Rome?* Within this topic, Year 3 will learn all about the Roman lifestyle, their beliefs and what they did for leisure.

**Science:** Year 3 science will focus on magnetism. Children will learn about types of forces, they will look at how magnets can attract and repel. Children will then use their knowledge of magnetism to create an experiment.

**Religious Education:** *How did Jesus and Buddha make people stop and think?*

**PSHE:** We will be discussing the topic of *Relationships*. What makes a good friend, how I can show my appreciation for others and roles and responsibilities of family members. The children will read the following book in those lessons: *The World Came To My Place Today* by Redman and Roberts

**Design and Technology:** Textiles: Children will be designing, making and evaluating their cushions.

**Computing:** Branching Databases. Children will develop their understanding of what a branching database is and how to create one.

**PE:** Sports Day preparation