

# Year 3 Newsletter

## Autumn Term 2



Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful half term break and are now ready for a new term. It has been wonderful to see children come back to school ready for learning.

### Home Learning and Reading Records

We place a great deal of importance on reading. Research shows that children who read regularly, and enjoy reading, make better progress and as a result enjoy greater future success. Therefore, it is expected that all children are reading every evening for 20-30 minutes and record 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. It is vital that you listen to your children read. Listening to your children read helps them with understanding and comprehension as well as working out what's printed on the page. Please use the following link: [English | Oxford Owl](#) to support your child in English.

Home Learning will also include Times Table RockStars and RWI spelling. For children who would like more home learning, we suggest your child carries out further research about their history topic – learning about the Stone Age to the Iron Age. If you have any queries regarding home learning, please do not hesitate to discuss these with your child's class teacher after school or by arranging an appointment.

We were blown away by the home learning projects that were created about volcanoes. 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 the Stone Age and Iron Age.

As the weather gets colder, please ensure that your child comes to school suitably dressed for outside PE and playtimes.

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

Y3Team

### The Year 3Team

#### Ghana

Ms Sobia Asghar

#### Namibia

Mr Sharaz Khan

#### South Africa

Mrs Navjeet Kaur

#### Zimbabwe

Mrs Tasneem Jiva

### Classroom Practitioner

Ms Shapla Begum

### Year Group Leader

Ms Sobia Asghar

### Phase Leader

Ms Marie Hardie

**If you have any questions  
or concerns, please speak  
to your child's class  
teacher**

## Inspiration Day and Educational Visits



During Year 3's inspiration day, the children will be thinking about the landmark **Stonehenge** and how it came to exist. The children are moving on to learning about pre-historic Britain during the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. The children will look at a timeline and understand how these pre-historic ages impact on their lives. Finally, the children will finish the day off with some creative work – building a model of Stonehenge. To further support children in this topic this half term, we will be visiting the Natural History Museum where children will be able to observe artefacts from these periods.

<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023</b>	Ghana and Zimbabwe
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023</b>	Namibia and South Africa

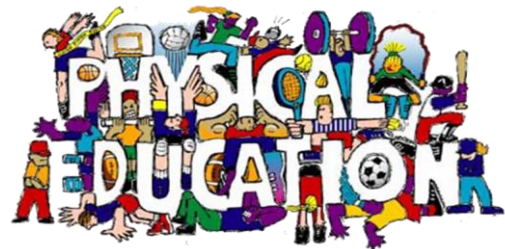
## Y3 PE Days

PE days are:

Monday and Friday

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

### **This term's topics:**

**English:** In English, we will be focusing on correspondence and letter writing (linking to COP28). We will be exploring the text, *UG* by Raymond Briggs. The children will write a letter to a character from the book to find out about the life of prehistoric people.

**Maths:** Exploring multiplication and division of 3, 4 and 8 and using multiplication and division to solve word problems.

**History:** The whole school theme for this half term is, '*Special people and special places*'. Within this theme, the children in Year 3 will be exploring the question, '*Who first lived in Britain?*' They will learn about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age.

**Science:** Year 3 science will focus on light. The children will learn about types of light sources, they will look at how light travels and will explore shadows.

**Religious Education:** In RE lessons, the children will be looking at the importance of light within religion. The children will then move onto learning about religious festivals and the reasons these festivals are celebrated by different people. The festivals that will be explored are Diwali, Christmas and Hanukah.

**Art and Design:** Focusing on drawing skills.

**Design and Technology:** Understanding electric systems.

**PSHE:** Celebrating difference.

**Computing:** Stop frame animation.

**PE:** Orienteering and dodgeball.

**Music:** Singing, composing and ukulele.

**Spanish:** School and free time activities.