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Year 3 Class Newsletter.

HELLO FROM MRS HOGAN AND MRS GILL. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR PERSEVERANCE AND SUPPORT SO FAR THIS TERM AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT LAST TERM.

Although the term has not begun as we had planned, I am delighted to say our remote learning and our key worker bubbles are working well. Your children have now settled into our new way of learning. They are a very special class who are a delight to teach, whether it is face to face or remotely! Thank you for all your support & perseverance. Keep up the great work - it all contributes to your children's bright future!

Our big question this term is - Why did the Romans create art? We will begin work on this, as soon as we have concluded our Mayan topic. Despite learning being completed at home, or in our bubbles, we will endeavour to cover the curriculum as closely as we can. What cannot be taught remotely we will address upon the children's return to school.

Your assistance in hearing your child read frequently, at least 4 times per week, is appreciated and is very necessary.

CHRISTMAS DINNER WAS A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT THIS YEAR. INSTEAD OF US ALL BEING IN THE HALL, WE WERE IN OUR CLASSROOMS BUT AS YOU CAN SEE, IT CERTAINLY GOT 'THUMBS UP' IN YEAR 3!



Zoom Sessions – Every morning 9am-9.10am is registration on zoom. There will also be a zoom catch/wellness meeting on Wednesday 1.45 – 2.15pm. This gives children a chance to see their classmates as well as myself and Mrs Gill.

Live Meetings on Teams – We will be live on Teams 9.45 – 10.30am Tuesday & Friday. These meetings are for work related issues. So, if children are struggling with any of the set tasks, this meeting gives an opportunity to talk about it. Or the children can just join to share some work if they wish. The children can leave the meeting when it suits them.

THE CURRICULUM.

TOPIC: Our big question this term is "Why did Romans create art?" We will look at the daily life of ancient Rome and will learn about how the Roman Empire grew and the reasons why it was so powerful. We will look at Roman culture and how important different forms of art were used in their society.

ENGLISH: We have begun the term with a unit on Poetry using imagery. We are then moving onto narrative writing based on the text 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Ballit'. We will end the term with a diary entry of a Roman soldier.

We will also set spelling & grammar as well as reading/comprehension work.

MATHS: Our 1st topic this term was to understand data. We will then do a unit on multiplication & division. Please encourage the children to regularly practice their times tables. They should know their 2x, 5x & 10x off by heart and should now be learning their 3x 4x & 8x tables. The children will also continue with Geometry: 2D & 3D shapes.

SCIENCE: The topic for this term is Rocks, Fossils & Soils.

RE: The children will complete work on the topic God/Incarnation. We will reflect on 'Big Questions' relating to religion and their own lives. Our Christian value this term is Perseverance, which we will regularly refer to.

Top tips for home learning (for the adults) – establish a timetable with set times for each task, each day. If possible have sometime outside each day for the children. Take a break if you need to and balance online time with offline time. Be confident and stay calm – you are all doing a great job. Remember, you do not have to complete every single task. Just do your best.

Timetable: Below are the subjects covered each day :-

Monday – Maths; English; Reading; Connections; Spelling & Handwriting.

Tuesday – Maths; English; Grammar; Science; RE.

Wednesday – PE; PSHE; Well being; Reading.

Thursday – Maths; English; Reading; Connections; Spelling & Handwriting.

Friday – Maths; English; Grammar; Music; French.

Set work can be found on the Padlet and Teams.

There are also useful links on the class page including:- the following activities

Art Activities

Reading Challenges

Starters for STEM Learning

Learning Links

Submitting work – Year 3, Please submit completed work into files in Teams(thank you for all the folders already created) or via e-mail to Whaplode.Y3@southlincs-hub.co.uk