

Year 3 ~ Miss Smith

Happy October!!

It is so nice to be back with the children after being off poorly last week with a chest infection, thank you for your patience and understanding.



Our Current Topic - Predator

English

I have introduced our class text "The Sheep Pig" by Dick King Smith to the children. We have read the first three chapters together as part of our Guided Reading and during our English lessons we have been answering a range of comprehension questions.

In addition to our daily English lessons, the children also have separate handwriting (2x 15minutes), spelling (3x 30minutes) and grammar (2x 20minutes) sessions each week.

I have attached the Year 3 & 4 statutory word list to this newsletter, by the end of year 4 the children are expected to be able to read and write all of these words. At the moment we are not testing the children on these words but I thought it would be useful for you to have this list at home.

Maths

To begin with this half term we are focussing on Place Value. We have been recapping work from the previous year this week and have begun work on ordering numbers, completing number patterns and understanding the value of each digit within numbers up to 100 and beyond.

In addition to our daily Maths lessons, the children will also have two twenty minute times table sessions a week. Once the children begin to build their times tables knowledge I will introduce the weekly times tables quiz for those who are confident.

Our PE days for this half term will be a Wednesday and a Friday. The children will need an outdoor kit for a Wednesday and an indoor kit for a Friday. Please also provide a carrier bag for the children to put their muddy shoes in on a Wednesday.

Homework

Take Care Project I would like the children to create something which explores our 'Bee Creative' Value, this could be on a piece of paper or a 3d model. The children can be as creative as they wish in creating something which represents them. I will display all completed projects in the classroom. **Deadline - 18.10.21**

Maths 3digit number game. See additional sheet for explanation.

PE Gordan has challenged all of the children to play with a tennis ball this week, he has taught them a new trick/skill which he would like them to improve on for next week.

Spellings The children can practice these using either the pyramid or rainbow method.

Unhappy, unlike, undo, unusual, untie, undress, disagree, disappear, dishonest, disobey, dislike, disallow

Reading at home

In our class we have today launched a Reading Reward System which the children are very excited about. I have talked to the children about the importance of reading at home and hope you will be able to encourage your child to read at home. When your child reads at home could this please be logged in their planner in the reading record section. I am happy for this to be completed by either the parent or the child so long as the parent can sign the entry if written by the child. Each Friday I will count and record the number of reads a child has done at home that week. Reading certificates will be given as follows;

Bronze - 25 reads, Silver - 50 reads, Gold - 100 reads.

Changing Books

The children are welcome to change their books in school when they need. I have asked the children to do this as soon as they come into school in the morning. They can do this themselves providing they choose books from their colour book and record the new book in the red reading log in our book area.

Concerns/Questions

If you or your child has any concerns please feel to contact me on my class email smith34@st-peters.notts.sch.uk
Any urgent enquiries should be directed to the school office.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!
Take Care
Miss Smith