



Year 3 Newsletter

Autumn Term

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Hello! We hope you have had a restful holiday and that the children are ready to start some amazing learning this half term. Year 3 had an excellent start to the year last half term and the all staff have been impressed by the hard work and dedication that has been on display. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to visit our classrooms in Year 3 and were able to share and celebrate all your child's effort and hard work. Last half term, some of the excellent work and exciting activities we took part in were put on twitter, please keep an eye on our twitter class pages - where our handles are @MrsBehanMPA and @MissRutledgeMPA - for frequent updates from the classroom. If you've got a minute you could even leave a comment as the children love to receive feedback!

Maths

This half term there will be a focus on multiplication and division involving lots of problem solving activities. We will also be learning about measurement in which children will be looking at measuring, comparing, adding and subtracting lengths (m/cm/mm). As with last half term, the key focus for all children at Moorside is to learn their times tables. The children have been making excellent progress on TTRS and with more practise, they will continue to climb the rankings. Hopefully with support at home, and at school, we will have a year group of Rock Legends by the end of the year!

English

Children will be focusing on the exciting quest story 'Ice Palace' by Robert Swindells. Through this text children will be exploring narrative plot, settings, characters and draw inferences to aid understanding as well as broadening their understanding of the writers' use of language and build a varied vocabulary. They will be writing a non-chronological report and an ending to a narrative.

Topic

Year 3 will be exploring **Russia** through History, Geography, Music, Art, and Design Technology this half term. Children will be using maps to locate Russia in relation to the UK and learning about the country's vast, varied landscape. We will look at tourism in Russia and answer the question 'Why do people visit Russia?' Children will also design and create their own famous 'Fabergé egg' and study the beautiful music of 'Swan Lake'.



PE

PE will continue to take place on Monday and Tuesday afternoons. Mondays lessons will focus on. Year 3 also have the fantastic opportunity to work with Manchester United football coaches on Tuesdays, who will be teaching skills and the value of teamwork.

Science

In Science lessons, we will learn about famous scientists and inventors linked to the Y3 science curriculum, including Marie Curie, William Smith and Inge Lehmann. Children will have the opportunity to develop their scientific enquiry skills, making observations, predictions and conclusions.

Homework

Children will have homework set on the Times Tables Rock Stars, but will also be given spellings and handwriting homework to complete each week. This will be sent out on Tuesday to be handed back in the following Tuesday.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Rutledge and Mrs Behan.

PSHE/RE

The children will learn about relationships and getting along with others. In RE, we will look at the Christmas story and Christianity.