



Old Palace Year 3 Newsletter Spring 1

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Maths

Please see below the maths topics this half term:

- 1. Multiplication**- Children will begin by looking at equal groupings for multiplication, then move on to looking at multiplying by 3, 4 and 8. They will look at comparing number sentences before moving on to multiplying 1 and 2-digit numbers by 1 digit numbers.
- 2. Division** - Children will be linking their learning in multiplication to division and will be looking at dividing by 3, 4 and 8. Children will work on dividing 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers and then move on to look at problem solving using multiplication and division.

Useful Links: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/multiplication-and-division>

English

Please see below the order of topics the children will be focusing on this half term:

- 1. Iron Man** – Children will begin the unit by reading the story of the Iron Man. Children will then have the chance to come up with different endings for the story and get to write their own, new ending for the Iron Man.
- 2. Explanation Texts**- In this unit children will develop their use of causal connectives by looking at a range of different texts that explain how simple machines work. Children will then have the opportunity to write their own explanation text using what they learnt in Science about pulleys and levers.

Other Subjects

Music- African Drumming
MFL- Mon Corp
Computing-Adobe video
Science – Forces and their effects, including friction, floating & sinking and mechanisms
RE- Who is Jewish & What do they believe?
PE- Gymnastics and Handball
PSHE- Dreams and Goals

Key dates

School Photo Day – Wednesday 31st January 2024
3H Performance Assembly – Friday 2nd February 2024
Internet Safety Day – Tuesday 6th February 2024

Trips

This half term year 3 will be visiting the science museum to explore the Wonder Lab and extend their learning on forces. Children will be learning about magnets, friction, and the affect these forces can have.

Date: 3H Monday 22nd January 2024
3K Wednesday 24th January 2024



Cost of the trip: Free!

PE

The children need to bring in their PE bag each day when they have PE. Year 3 have PE on a **Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon** please ensure they have the appropriate kit and footwear. Children will need to have trainers to take part in PE.

Vocabulary

Word of the day: here are the new vocabulary words we will be introducing to the children this half term. You may wish to practice these words at home!

Week 1	available	survive	deposit	proclaim
Week 2	annual	collapse	forbid	tyrant
Week 3	obvious	abundance	fragment	vanished
Week 4	core	offend	flourish	twilight
Week 5	aware	altitude	teeter	secure

Winter Weather

As the weather is still quite cold, we ask that children please be sent in wearing warm jackets, hats and gloves, as they will need these for break times. Please also make sure that PE kits include long jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt or hoodie for children to wear during their outdoor PE sessions.

School Photographer

It is that time of year again, to take our annual school photos! The school photographer will be coming into school this term to take individual, class and sibling photos. School photos will be taking place on **Wednesday 31st January**.

Bringing things in from home

Parents/Carers this is a polite reminder that children should not be bringing in anything additional from home, such as toys, activities and accessories. It can cause problems, particularly in the playground or be upsetting if a child loses their item. If a child is seen with anything that shouldn't be in school and/or is causing a distraction, it will be taken off them and given to the parent/carer at the end of the day.



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