



Curriculum Newsletter

Year 3 Term 2 2020/21

Hello everyone! We would like to say well done to all of our children for making such a fantastic start to the new school year. They have settled back into school life brilliantly and have made excellent progress in their learning – we couldn't be more proud of them! This newsletter will give you a brief overview of what your child will be covering up until the Christmas break. If you have any questions please speak with any member of the Senior Leadership Team or see your child's teacher at the end of the school day.

We would also like to remind our families that we are a nut-free school. Some of our children suffer with various allergies and so in order to keep everyone safe, we ask that you do not include food items containing nuts in your child's lunch box or as a break time snack. We would also like to reiterate that we encourage our KS2 children to bring in a **healthy snack** from home to have at break time. **This may include a piece of fruit or a cereal bar.** Other snacks (such as crisps, biscuits and chocolate) are only to be eaten at lunch time if they are brought in at all. Thank you.

This term, we will be supporting our children to further develop their table manners during lunch time. We will explore with them how to correctly use a knife and fork, and the normal expectations around eating with others, such as not speaking with our mouth full and tucking our chairs in when leaving the table. We would appreciate your support in also sharing these messages with your children when eating together in the evening.

Thank you in advance!

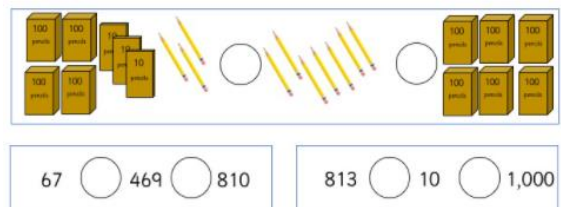
English

In English this term, we will be exploring the text *The Secret of Black Rock*. Through this text we will be creating characters within a narrative, using commas in a list and also using apostrophes for a variety of contractions.



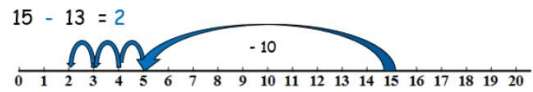
Maths

In maths this term, we will be developing our understanding of place value by finding 100 more and 100 less and by comparing, ordering and representing numbers up to 1000.



We kindly ask that you read with your children at least 5 times a week. We ensure an adult reads with your child as often as possible in school but it is crucial that your child practises at home as well to develop their fluency, intonation and comprehension. We ask that you continue to maintain a reading record for use at home and we will be sending home notes to you to keep you informed of your child's reading progress.

In addition and subtraction we will be working with 2 and 3 digit numbers and using mental methods to calculate addition and subtraction problems.



Finally we will be using mental methods to help us divide using grouping. We will then use this knowledge to help us find fractions of amounts.

If you would like any information on how we teach these methods in class or guidance on how to support at home, please do not hesitate to speak to your class teacher.

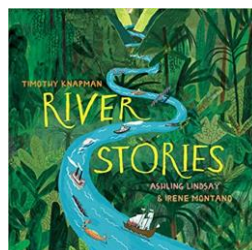
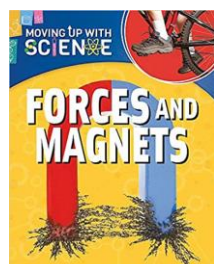
Topic Subjects




Our Foundation Subject Topic this term is "River deep, magnet high"

It's an exciting topic where we will be learning all about forces and magnets. We will be linking our science learning with design technology and using our knowledge of forces to research, design and construct a shaduf. As geographers, we will also be exploring physical geographical features, focussing specifically on rivers. We will look at the different parts of rivers, how rivers are formed and also rivers within our local area. We will also be learning about coding through Purple Mash. We will be using flowcharts and timers to write, run, test and debug computer programs. Please refer to your child's River deep, magnet high knowledge organiser to better understand what your child is learning about in school.

Term 2 Reading Spine

These are a selection of books Year 3 children will be exploring during this topic. They have been carefully selected as high quality texts to support your child's learning of the curriculum. We invite children to read these books during their free-reading time in school but you may also want to grab a copy for your own bookshelves at home!



	<p>Your child will be taking part in P.E on Monday and Wednesday. As we will not be using the cloakrooms at this time, we are asking that children come to school dressed in their P.E kits on the days that they have P.E. We would like to remind our families that this involves wearing their teams coloured T-shirt (plain, no slogans), black/navy blue shorts or black/navy blue jogging bottoms and trainers/daps. Usual school sweatshirt/ cardigan can be worn with this – no other sweatshirts to be worn please. If you do not know which house your child is in, please email the class email address – europaeclass@sgmail.org.uk</p>
	<p>We will continue to send home your child's homework for the entire term. This will include the term's spelling words/rules and Maths Instant Recall Facts. We would love to see any evidence of these activities in your homework books and we will be asking for homework books to be brought back into school on Wednesday 15th December. These will then be marked and returned to your child at the beginning of Term 3.</p> <p>Also, we would like to remind you that your child is able to log on with their purple mash logins to complete any extra homework and practise their learning at home.</p>
	<p>Please ensure your child has a bottle of water at school every day, as at this time our water fountains will be out of use. Also please make sure that their school uniform is labelled clearly with their name and class. We ask children not to bring in their own stationery, toys or items from home into school. We will provide all the equipment that your child needs.</p>

Year 3 Term 2 Key dates:

Bristol Museum trip – Thursday 18th November 2021

Anti-bullying week – 15th-19th November 2021

Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 10th December 2021

Incarnation Day – Friday 10th December 2021

Hippodrome Panto trip – Tuesday 14th December 2021

Christmas service in church – Friday 17th December 2021

End of term – Friday 17th December 2021