

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 3 Term 3 2021/22

Welcome back everyone! We all hope you enjoyed your winter break with friends and family and are now ready and raring to start the new term (and year!) back at school. We have planned a range of exciting learning opportunities and know that this term will be another fantastic one at The Manor.

This newsletter will give you a brief overview of what your child will be covering up until the February half term 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.

Thank you to our parents/carers who have recently offered to help out in school on a voluntary basis. We look forward to inviting you all into school to support the children's learning as soon as we are able. Unfortunately, the current climate and local advice means this cannot happen at the current time. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Finally, the Year 3 team would like to say a huge thank you for all the messages, cards and gifts that we received for Christmas. We were incredibly touched and are truly grateful for your kindness.

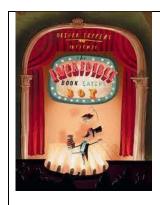
Mrs Gray, Mrs Cox and Miss Honey

English

In English this term, we will be exploring the text 'The incredible book eating boy' by Oliver Jeffers. We will use the text to help us develop our use of conjunctions and inverted commas in our writing.

Maths

In maths this term, will we will be estimating amounts and the position of numbers on a



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.

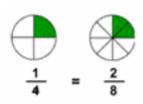
numberline based on our prior knowledge and understanding of place value.

We will further develop our estimating skills by using this in addition and subtraction lessons by estimating answers to calculations by rounding.

$$68 + 51 \approx 70 + 50$$

 $68 + 51 \approx 120$

Later in the term, we will be doubling and halving 2 digit numbers and exploring equivalent fractions.



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.

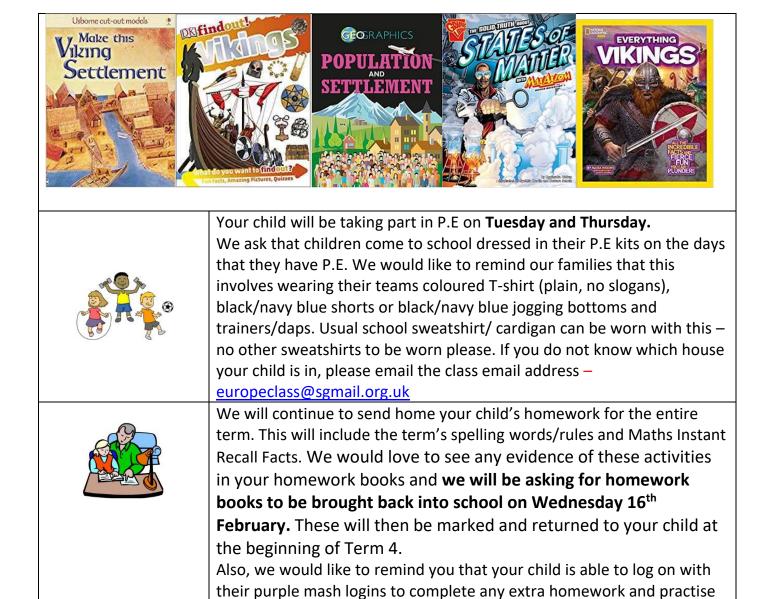
Topic Subjects

Our Foundation Subject Topic this term is "Let's settle".

It's an extremely exciting topic where we will be learning all about the different settlements from the Viking period. We will also be exploring Viking culture, who they were and where they came from. We will look at the Viking invasion of Britain and the reasons for this. During the term, we will be looking at states of matter in science and the water cycle in geography, using this information we learn to conduct investigations and experiments. Please refer to your child's **Let's settle** knowledge organiser to better understand what your child is learning about in school.

Term 3 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!



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.

Year 3 Term 3 Key dates:

Flu immunisations – Monday 24th January 2022 Spirituality Day – Friday 11th February 2022 Term ends – Friday 18th February 2022

their learning at home.