

Keir Hardie Primary School

Year 3 Spring Newsletter

Firstly, can we warmly welcome you all back to the start of the new term at Keir Hardie. We hope that you had an amazing Christmas break. It is going to be a very exciting term in year 3; your child will be learning lots of new things and visiting many educational trips.

Topics

This Spring term year 3 will be studying:

English- We are reading “The Hundred Mile An Hour Dog” by Jeremy Strong. You can support your child by finding alternative books from the author

Our foci for reading will be reading for fluency, and reading with expression. **Spelling-** Can you please ensure that your child learns the year 3 and year 4 spelling words that are in the homework book. Children should highlight the words once they have learnt them. **Handwriting-** We are looking at presenting our learning. You can support your child by ensuring that their homework is presented and written neatly. Our grammar foci will be simple sentences, complex sentences and compound sentences. We’ll also be looking at writing balanced arguments, Poetry and Non-Chronological Reports

Maths- Arithmetic and Reasoning about multiplication and division using concrete strategies. You can support your child by ensuring that you revise their timetables every week. Pupils must use the online support Maths programme Sumdog to support their learning, as we will be checking to see if children are using this frequently

Science- In science, we will be looking at the composition of human and animal skeletons. We’ll also be looking at the similarities and differences. We’ll also be looking at the different types of rocks

Computing- Pupils will explore the online software, Scratch to compose animations and games. In addition to this, there will be a focus on Online Safety. You can support your child by monitoring their use of the computer.

D&T- Bread making around the world- this will be a fun topic where pupils will learn about the different types of bread from different countries, and will also be making their own special breads

Art- We will be composing a 3D animal Sculpture and learning about famous Architects, Artists and Designers. You can help your child by researching the artist Van Gogh.

RE- Religious Beliefs about Sikhism and festivals in Judaism-You can support your child by researching about the different religions

PSHE- in P.S.H.E, we’ll be learning about the effects of drugs and alcohol abuse.

Music- ECAM-We’ll be learning how to play the fluta-phone and compose melodies

PE- in P.E, we’ll be learning the rules of volleyball and netball

Spanish- We’ll learn how to play traditional games and count to numbers 11-20 in Spanish

Reading

Your child will continue to be given a new reading book every week. Please make sure your child brings in their reading book every day. It is essential that your child reads every day for at least 20 minutes.

Encourage your child to read a variety of materials; this includes newspaper articles, comics, recipes etc. This can be recorded in their yellow reading record books. What is more, this will develop your child’s writing skills.

Remember to visit the school library after school where we have lots of new and exciting books! Year 3 also have the opportunity to visit the library during their lunch break every Tuesday afternoon.

Homework

Your child will be given at least two sets of homework every Friday: one piece of English; one piece of Maths. The homework reflects the work that has been done in class and is explained to the children every Friday. The homework will set an appropriate level of challenge. All homework is due on the following **Wednesday** as this will allow the members of staff to mark individual books and provide feedback.

Homework club will continue every Monday when your child can come and complete their homework. We urge you to make sure that your child attends homework club as the staff supporting them in school will be able to help them with their work.

PE

PE is every Tuesday and Friday

Indoor (Navy blue bottoms, and a white T- shirt)

Please ensure your child brings in their PE kit on Monday.

Education Visits and Diary Dates

Week beginning 9th January- ECAM starts

Friday 13th January- Mosaic Assembly

Week Beginning 16th January- Balance Argument Week

Week beginning 30th January- Debate week

Friday 3rd March- World Book Day

Week beginning 6th March- Maths week

Friday 17th March- Red Nose Day

Week beginning 27th March- Art and D&T week

Monday 3rd April- Monday 17th April- SPRING BREAK

Tuesday 18th April- Children back to school

We hope this newsletter will support you in supporting your child at home.

If you do require any support, then please do not hesitate to ask for help.

The year 3 team are looking forward to another great term.

Mrs Falusi and Miss Ismail- Year group teachers

Mrs Overton- TA

Mr John-TA

Miss Akhter- Teacher

