



# Keir Hardie Primary School

## Year Newsletter—Summer Term 2018

Welcome back to the new term, we hope you are just as excited as us. The Year 3 team have had so much fun planning for the new term and simply cannot wait to get teaching!



## Curriculum Topics

### Dates for Summer Term

We are in the process of organising a fun, educational day out. More information will be provided closer to the date.

24/04/18: History off the Page - Please remember to dress up in an Ancient Greece inspired costume

**English** - In Year 3, we will be continuing with Talk4Write to develop our writing. We will be retelling a known Greek myth and writing our own in the innovation stage. Later in the half term, we will be developing our letter writing skills, using the Hare and the Tortoise as a starting point.

**Maths** - In Maths, year 3 will be learning to read and interpret bar graphs as well as drawing bar graphs with scales of 2, 3, 4, 5 or 10. Pupils will be learning to make comparisons and inferences from the given information. Later in the term, pupils will be learning about fractions, using the terms numerator, denominator and equivalences. They will also be learning to add and subtract fractions, as well as comparing fractions.

**Science** - In Science, Year 3 will be learning about Plants as Living Organisms by exploring different factors plants need to survive. We will be *Thinking Scientifically* by coming up with different ways that we can observe the effects of different conditions on growing plants.

**Creative Curriculum** - Year 3 will be learning about the Ancient Greeks, tying in very neatly with our Talk4Write text.

**D&T** - Pupils will be learning about the foods enjoyed by the Ancient Greeks and designing their own Ancient Greek themed feast.

**Computing** - We will be learning about online-safety and exploring how the children can stay safe whilst using the internet.

**RE** - In Year 3, we will continue to develop our knowledge of other religions. Next term we will be exploring the teachings of Jesus and Buddha through different stories and sayings.

**PE** - Pupils will be developing a range of skills including: running, jumping, catching and team games.

**Geography** - By the end of the unit, Year 3 will be able to identify Greece on a map, discuss the climate of Greece in general, as well as Greece in modern culture and as a popular tourist destination.

**Music** - Year 3 will continue to develop their flutophone skills.

**Spanish** - Pupils will be learning greetings, the alphabet and numbers 1-10 in Spanish.

## PE Dates

Please ensure your child brings their PE kit into school on this day: Tuesday.

Navy blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a house coloured shirt.

Pupils are also required to wear suitable sports shoes and not wear any jewellery. If they have pierced ears, they will need to leave their studs at home.



## Homework

Homework is a very important part of your child's education. It is usually linked to what your child has learned that week or in preparation for something they are going to learn. Homework for this term will focus on the core units covered in each term. For Maths this term, the focus is number and place value, and for English the focus is spellings, grammar and punctuation.

Your child will need support from an adult to read and fully understand what he/she needs to do. Homework is given to the children every Friday and they are expected to hand it in the following **Thursday**. To encourage the completion of homework in a positive way, we will give a reward at the end of each half term, to the children who have completed all homework activities.

From time to time, we will also set the children a project to complete at home linked to the foundation or the Creative Curriculum or Science. This is a great opportunity for you to work on a fun and creative project with your child.



## Educational Visits and Visitors

We have several educational visits planned this term. We will send letters home nearer to the date.

## Reading—Important Information

Please encourage your child to read for 10 minutes every night.

- Before reading with your child, read his/her target (written in yellow reading record) so that you can help them to achieve their target. We also welcome your responses and comments in the same book.
- The children can also access a range of books online through Bug Club. Your child's log in details will be in their reading log.
- Please ensure that your child brings their reading book to school every day.
- It is also important to share and enjoy books with your child. Remember that books can be borrowed for free from our school library or your local library. Reading books together will help your child to acquire language, read familiar words and write exciting stories!



## Uniform

Please ensure that your child's name is clearly labelled in all of their uniform. Your child should take responsibility for looking after their belongings, particularly in the playground and when changing for PE. If you find you have the wrong item of clothing returned to you, please bring it to your child's teacher and we will endeavour to return the correct items. If a coat, jumper or other item is left in the playground, it will be taken to lost property, which is accessible through the school office.

**We hope this newsletter has been helpful. Please make an appointment to see any of the year 3 teaching staff if you have any questions or concerns. Please make sure your child is in school everyday and on time to ensure they don't miss out on valuable learning.**

**Thank you for your continued support.**

**Ms Khan and Mrs Hussain**