



Year Three News

Mayhill Junior School, The Bury, Odiham, RG29 1NB

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Tomb Raider: what might be found in an Egyptian tomb?

This term Year 3 will deepen their understanding of life in Ancient Egypt. Our exciting unit will culminate in a celebration of our Spring Term work, where we will be inviting Year 3 parents into school to experience an 'Egyptian Museum'. By linking English, History, Art, Geography and Science to our topic, the children will become immersed in Ancient Egyptian life.



English

In English we will be learning how to write a travel brochure to entice visitors to the wonders of Ancient Egypt. We will be learning how to use persuasive language and the importance of paragraphing in order to write effective brochures. Following this, we will be using the text, Tuesday by David Weisner to develop our narrative writing.

Maths

This half term the children will be learning about time, using analogue and digital clocks, and learning important facts such as the number of hours in a day, months in a year and days in a month. Please take this opportunity to talk to your children about the features of these different clocks and how to tell the time accurately to the nearest minute. Following this, we will be focusing on 3D shapes, identifying their properties and using the language of **vertices, edges and faces**. As always, we will be practising the 3, 4 and 8 times tables in class, with a particular focus on the related division facts.

Come and Join us!

Helpers are always welcome in Year 3, especially for reading as the children love sharing their books with other people. If you feel you have something exciting to share with the children around any of our topics, maths, science or literacy, we would love to see you. No previous experience required! Please let your child's class teacher know if you are able to help at all, even if only once. Thank you!

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PE/Games

Children do PE twice a week, each session lasting an hour. It is really important that they have their kit in school on those days. Please be aware that your child will be asked to borrow kit from the office if they do not have their own. If your child is unable, due to a medical reason, to take part in PE please ensure that a letter is sent in to their class teacher.

Year 3 have their PE lessons on the following days:

- **Tuesday (3S & 3DF)/Wednesday (3B)**– Outdoor – Handball
- **Friday** – Indoor – Gymnastics

For their other unit of PE this term, the children will also be partaking in a unit on Healthy Eating and Nutrition.



Homework

Year 3 homework is set on a **Thursday** and must be completed by the following **Tuesday**. This will be a task that is either Topic/English based or a Maths activity. The children will also have weekly spellings these are given out on a **Thursday** and tested on a **Wednesday**.

How you can help your child:

We love seeing any research / extra work that your child has completed in addition to homework regarding our topic, please feel bring in to share with the rest of the class!

Another website we enjoy using in class is <http://www.topmarks.co.uk> which has activities for a wide range of subject areas including Maths, English and Science. Of course, Google Earth is a fantastic resource for children to explore the amazing country and even world in which we live.

Reading:

Research tells us that children should still read **with** an adult on challenging but enjoyable texts every week. Year 3 have been sent home with a reading record book with spaces to sign each time they read at home. In an ideal world we would like your child to read at least three times a week and to have this recorded in their reading diary.

We are all very much looking forward to an exciting half-term. If you have any questions or comments about your child's learning, do come in and see us! Our doors are always open.

Kind regards,

The Year Three Team

Mr Barry, Mrs Donovan, Mrs Fradgley and Miss Sutton

Dates for the diary:

Parents evening

Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th February

3B class assembly

Tuesday 5th March

World Book Day

Thursday 7th March

Book fair

7th-13th March

3DF class assembly

Tuesday 19th March

Year 3 Egyptian Museum

Thursday 4th April

Last day of spring term

Friday 5th April- 1pm finish