

Dates for your diary

- World Book Day: Thursday 4th March 2021
- Children Return to School: Monday 8th March 2021
- End of term : Thursday 1st April 2021

PE

Cedar PE Day is Monday

Walnut PE Day is Friday

Sycamore PE Day is Tuesday

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school on their timetabled PE days. It is advised your child keeps their kit in school throughout the week in case of any timetable changes. Children must have a full PE kit (a white t-shirt, green or black shorts and plimsolls) to ensure personal hygiene and safety.

Homework

Children in Year 3 should spend a set time each day completing homework to ensure good routine. This should include:

- Complete the weekly literacy and numeracy tasks which will be set on Thursday and should be returned on Monday.
- Reading their home reading book for 15 minutes **each evening** (please sign and ensure your child has completed their daily comments).
- Learn their weekly spellings which will be set on Thursday and tested on the following Monday.
- Learn their 8, 9 and 11 times tables.
- Access the home learning sites Times Tables Rock Stars and Mathletics

Year Three Spring 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all who have played such a vital role in supporting the children with their home learning over the first Spring Half Term. This has once again been a challenging time for everyone, but together we have maintained a consistent and effective provision for all pupils at Orchard.

When the children return on the 8th March, it is important that we start back as we mean to go on. Please continue to support your children in bringing their home-school diaries into school every day, learning their spellings and completing their homework.

A good relationship between home and school is important. Please feel free to speak to us about your child's progress or any concerns you may have. We are available to talk after school on most days.

We look forward to working with you and your child.

Best wishes,

Year 3 Team

Our topic this half term is Earthquakes

Literacy

As writers, we will be developing our skills as narrative writers. We will be using descriptive writing to set scenes and to infer information about characters. We will also be writing a report about earthquakes, using a range of technical vocabulary.

Recommended Reads

Volcano & Earthquake (DK Eyewitness)

All About Physics (Big Questions)

Music: As Musicians, we will be performing an ensemble, with a focus on listening to one another and performing.

Art and Design Technology

As artists, we will be focussing on using charcoal. We will explore using different skills such as blending and smudging to try and create accurate drawings.

Mathematics

As mathematicians, we will be developing our understanding of fractions, finding fractions of amounts and comparing them. We will also be looking at problems involving money and learning to tell the time with more accuracy.



Geography

As geographers, we will be looking at earthquakes. We will be finding out where they happen and the reasons for them. We will be looking at the impact they have on the places they occur and will carry out some field work to identify how safe we would be in Hackney should one happen here.

Science

As Scientists, we will be learning about magnets. We will be exploring and explaining how magnets behave, how they react with one another and what happens when they are near other materials. We will carry out an investigation to find out which materials are magnetic and which materials are not.

RE: Why is Buddha's life significant to Buddhists today?

PSHCE: Relationships

ICT

We will learn to use Google slides – a similar programme to Power point – to create eBooks.

Physical Education

As dancers, we will be choreographing routines around the theme of forces and magnets. We will be using routines to depict how forces and magnets behaviour together and with other materials.