Farnborough Primary School

AUTUMN TERM — YEAR THREE



Welcome Back!

I hope you all enjoyed a relaxing Summer break and the children are all excited to be back at school, starting a new, fun-filled and action packed year in Year 3!

I am very excited about teaching all of your wonderful children and I am looking forward to all our learning adventures together.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Spreckley and Mrs Humphries

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 1st September — School starts for children

Friday 17th September — Meet the Teacher for parents at 9am

Week commencing 11th October — Parents' Evening

Friday 15th October — School breaks up for half term.

Monday 1st November—School starts for children







Topic– Ancient Egypt

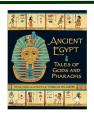
Our topic this term is 'Ancient Egypt', where we will be thinking about why the Ancient Egyptians are important.

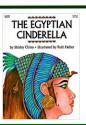
The children will learn about the pyramids of Egypt, discussing how they were built and what they were used for. We will learn about Cleopatra as one of the most famous Egyptian Pharaohs. Additionally, they will learn about the mummification process in this life and what Ancient Egyptians thought would happen in the afterlife.

Furthermore, they will investigate the amazing gods and goddesses they worshipped including: Anubis, god of embalming; Osiris, the god of the dead and the underworld; Isis and Nephthys, protective goddesses, and many more. We are also planning a trip to The British Museum.

Reading

Children will read independently on a daily basis. They will also read during guided reading sessions. In addition to this, they can take part in the reading challenge, where they will be able to achieve rewards.















As **writers**, we will look at a variety of genres, analysing their key features and writing our own versions. We will be focusing on describing settings and characters in fiction writing, and explanations and instructions in non-fiction work.

As mathematicians, we will practise addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Our times table focus will be on the 3 and 4 tables and we will continue to consolidate 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We will develop our knowledge of fractions, measure, shape and statistics (graphs). Problem solving and reasoning activities will be running throughout all of these concepts.

As **Scientists**, we will be focusing on Animals including humans this term. We will be working towards answering the question: How has Christiano Ronaldo maintained his position in the football world?

We will look at muscles, joints and food to help us find out more in order to answer this question.



As **safety experts**, we will be learning in the first half term about how to be responsible online. In the second half of the Autumn Term we will be focusing on how to search effectively which will help us to use the internet for research. We will also learn about computer networks and start to think about how they work.



As **musicians**, we will be learning different songs and focusing on what makes a good performance. Our songs will be linked to our topics, such as the Human Body and Food and Drink in our Science topic.







As members of our community, we will be considering our similarities and differences. We will also be setting ourselves goals and thinking about our role in the community.



As **good citizens**, we will learn about the Buddha, thinking about the questions:

What is a Buddha?

How did the Buddha teach that people should live?

In the second half of term, the children will investigate 3 different faiths and the significance of peace to all of them.



As **athletes** we will be developing our gymnastics and dance skills and choreographing routines. We will be developing our ball skills, attacking and defending through football and tag rugby.





It would be fantastic if you could continue to support your child with daily reading, learning number bonds/multiplication tables. Board games involving counting and spellings/vocabulary are a fun way to support your child's understanding.



As **artists**, we will be creating Egyptian necklaces, designing a cartouche using hieroglyphics and creating our own pyramids.



Year 3 is the first year where you will be learning French. As **linguists**, we will be learning some basic words in French, such as simple classroom instructions, greeting others and our numbers to 10.

We will have lots of fun speaking and listening to French, playing games and completing different activities!



Here are a few recommended authors for Year 3 children:

- Andy Shepherd
- Adam Blade
- Jill Murphy
- Cressida Cowell
- Michael Rosen

There are more recommended authors on our school website.