



Year 3 Spring Term 1 Newsletter



Welcome back to school for the summer term!

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and that you got to enjoy some of the lovely sunshine we had. As always, please let me know if there's anything at all I can help you with. *Miss Jones*

Use the force!

Our topic this half term is 'Use the force!' In science, we will be learning about forces and magnets and in history we will be learning about Ancient Egypt. Our key class text is *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes and we will use this text as a basis for some of our English lessons to further develop our comprehension and writing skills. A key focus for Year 3 at the moment is to join their handwriting.

Class Dojo

If you haven't already, please support your child with logging into Class Dojo as soon as possible so you can see this half term's homework grid. It is important that you support your child in completing their homework and uploading it to Class Dojo. There is a range of activities on the grid to suit different interests, and pupils are expected to complete at least one piece of homework per week. How many Dojo points can your homework earn?



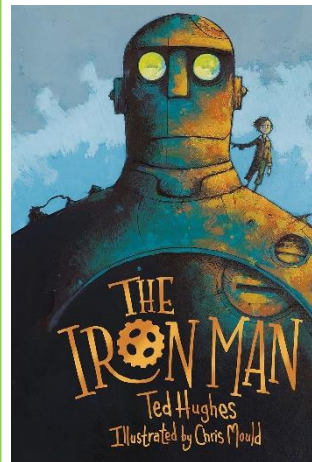
Maths

We will be covering the Year 3 objectives for fractions and time. This will include learning to:

- ◆ count up and down in tenths
- ◆ recognise that tenths arise from dividing an object into 10 equal parts
- ◆ recognise, find and write fractions of a set of objects, including unit fractions and non-unit fractions with small denominators
- ◆ recognise and show, using diagrams, equivalent fractions
- ◆ add and subtract fractions with the same denominator within one whole
- ◆ compare and order unit fractions, and fractions with the same denominators
- ◆ solve problems that involve fractions
- ◆ tell and write the time from 12-hour and 24-hour clocks
- ◆ estimate and read time with increasing accuracy to the nearest minute
- ◆ record and compare time in terms of seconds, minutes and hours
- ◆ know the number of seconds in a minute and the number of days in each month, year and leap year
- ◆ compare durations of events

Fun events for Year 3 to look forward to:

Monday lunch times – Lunch time active club
Thursday 15th April - Captain Chemistry Day
Monday 26th April – Skip 2 Be Fit
Thursday 29th April – Relax Kids Session



The Iron Man by Ted Hughes

The Iron Man came to the top of the cliff. Where had he come from? Nobody knows. How was he made? Nobody knows. Mankind must put a stop to the dreadful destruction by the Iron Man and set a trap for him, but he

cannot be kept down. Then, when a terrible monster from outer space threatens to lay waste to the planet, it is the Iron Man who finds a way to save the world.

History: The Ancient Egyptians

This half term, we will travel back in time thousands of years to the banks of the River Nile to learn all about the amazing people and places of Ancient Egypt. How different was Ancient Egypt from today? Who was Tutankhamun? What are hieroglyphs? And what did the ancient Egyptians believe in? We will answer all of these questions and more in our topic. Keep an eye out for these fantastic activity books that we have purchased for each of the Year 3 pupils to enjoy. They will be coming home with your child soon.

