



Year 3 - Summer Term 2022

Dear Parents,

Welcome back for another term at Winhills! We hope you had a wonderful time off during the Easter holidays and are looking forward to the summer term.

English:

This term, the children will be enjoying our new text "Mr Penguin and the Lost Treasure" by Alex T Smith. This comical and engaging book will expose the children to new vocabulary and will provide many writing opportunities such as writing a persuasive advert, instruction writing, creating a fact file and writing adventure stories. Later in the term, we will have a poetry focus where Year 3 will be exploring and writing cinquain and haiku poems.

Maths

In our maths lessons, we will be focusing on fractions. The children will learn to find a fraction of number as well as learning about equivalent fractions. The children will use these skills to move onto adding and subtracting fractions. Later in the term, the children will be learning about time.

Homework

We will be handing out **homework on a Wednesday and it will need to be returned by the following Monday**. Children need to remember to return their homework on time. **Homework books must be handed in every week, and not at the end of each term.**

Children need to read 5 times a week and complete a book talk. They need to complete their reading record each time they read and **reading records must be in everyday**. We would very much appreciate you listening to your child's reading /discussing their book with them and request that you sign your child's reading record book and, if possible, add a comment. This will really help your child to progress in reading and writing. Every morning reading records will be checked, so we value any feedback you can provide us with.

In addition, children will have spellings in their homework books each week. Please practice these spellings with your child as it will boost their independence and confidence in writing.

P.E

PE sessions will be on a Wednesday morning. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school at all times, and are prepared for the warmer summer weather, including sun hats, water bottles and sun cream (where appropriate). This half term Year 3 will be learning how to play cricket.

We will also have lots of outdoor learning so children will need a pair of wellies and a sun hat in school at all times.

There will be a fortnightly newsletter where we will update you on our learning over the term, particularly our literacy and numeracy units, and we will provide any extra details you will need (e.g. changes to timetables, notifications, etc). There will be regular updates over the term on our class pages on the school webpage, plus daily and weekly information on our Class Dojo pages.

We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead, and thank you in advance for your continued support.

Mrs Dickinson.

Summer Term Curriculum Topics for Year 3



Topic **Seasides**

In this geography topic, we will be looking at seascapes around the world, throughout time and comparing them. The children will also learn all about the physical and man-made features of a seaside.



Computing

Throughout this term the children will be learning all about computing systems and networks with a particular focus on inputs, outputs and memory. The children will use this to build a paper laptop.



Science

Our topic throughout this term will be focusing on magnets and forces. The children will be carrying out a range of investigations using magnetic forces.



Art

To begin with, the children will be creating mood boards. The children will use their mood boards to design and create a tie-dyed t-shirt and they will use their previously learned sewing skill to applique a design to their t-shirt.



RE

The children will be studying Sikhism and different places of worship. The children will also learn to understand what life is like as a Sikh child.



Music

The children are going to explore how to tell a story through music. We will be creating soundscapes using percussion instruments and adding sound effects and rhythm.



PE

This term the children will be developing their cricket skills. We will be focusing on throwing and catching skills as well as bat and ball skills.



DT

Our technology this term will involve learning all about pneumatic systems. The children will explore pneumatic systems before designing and making their own pneumatic toy.



PHSE

This term we will be looking at *Economic Wellbeing* where we will be discussing money. We will be focusing on budgeting and saving. In addition to this, we will be looking into jobs and careers.