

# Isleham Primary School Year 3

# Autumn News

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## Welcome to Year 3

### Mr Walker and Mrs Rayner

I hope everyone enjoyed the summer break and is looking forward to the start of Year 3. It can seem like a huge jump from KS1 to KS2, but we want to make sure that you are fully informed so please come and ask if you have any questions or queries or jot any queries down in the Home School book. Remember your child needs to bring their new Home School book into school every day so that messages can be acted upon and reading checked.

- This half term we will be finding out about the Romans
- E-safety: Parents and carers play a key role in supporting children to learn about how to stay safe online.
  - Have ongoing conversations with your children about staying safe online
  - Use safety tools on social networks and other online services,
  - Decide if you want to use parental controls on your home internet
  - Check out - <http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/> for more advice
- If you would like to support our weekly swimming lesson or would be interested in offering assistance with other aspects of the curriculum, please contact the school office for further information.



### Adults in Yr3



Mr Walker, Mrs Rayner and  
Mrs Dunsmuir

## How to help

- Support your child with daily reading and encourage them by ticking that you have heard / seen them read in their Home School book. Don't forget to initial the book and add a comment yourself if you wish (Home School books need to come into school every day please.)
- Spellings need to be practised every day to help learn them.
- It is also very helpful if you can practise the x3, x4 and x8 times tables. Your child we bring home a times table record and a password for Timestables Rockstars.

	What to take to school	What to bring home
Monday	Home School Book PE kit	Home School Book
Tuesday	Home School Book	Home School Book
Wednesday	Home School Book Swimming kit	Home School Book Swimming kit
Thursday	Home School Book Any homework	Home School Book Any homework
Friday	Home School Book	Home School Book PE kit

### For Your Calendar:

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November  
Class Assembly

Week of 9<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Swimming begins

4<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Harvest Festival at  
the church

# What we are learning this term:

# The Romans

## English

The focus for the first half of the term will be instructions for Roman catapults. We will then be looking at narrative writing using 'Escape from Pompeii' as a stimulus and writing information texts about volcanoes. After half term we will be reading 'Beowulf' and creating Saxon riddles.

## Maths

We will start with Roman numerals followed by place value. We will look at 100s, 10s and 1s and compare and order numbers to 1000. In Number we will add and subtract 3 digit numbers. We will also begin to estimate answers to calculations.

## History / Geography

We will be exploring the Roman World and their conquest of Britain. This will involve looking at coins, pictures, maps, roads and place names. We will also be finding out about volcanoes and how Roman Pompeii was destroyed.

## Art / Design Technology

To start the term we will be creating some Roman catapults using elastic bands and a range of materials. Later we will bake our own bread. In art we will be looking at and creating our very own mosaics to decorate our classroom. We will then be looking at a variety of British artists.

## Music and French

In Music as part of Young Voices 2020 we will learn around 14 songs that they will get a chance to sing in the O2 in January or February. Mrs Tait will be leading these sessions. In French, the focus will be on Spoken and written Greetings, Asking and answering questions, Giving instructions, Animals songs and stories.

## ICT and PE

We will be using Scratch to create our own simple animations. We will also be learning how to stay safe online. In PE we will be playing Tag Rugby on Tuesday afternoons. Swimming will take place on Monday mornings. Dance will be on Mondays once swimming has finished.

## Science

In Science will be looking at Magnets and Springs. We will be exploring magnets and their properties and investigating which materials are magnetic both inside and outside the classroom. Later on we will be investigating springs and their properties.

## RE and PSHCE

R.E this term focuses on Christianity, in particular: What do Christians learn from the Creation story? Myself and My Relationships is our topic in PSHCE and we will also be exploring ways to keep safe.

## For Your Calendar:

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> October**  
Parents Evening 1  
4pm to 7pm

**Tues 8<sup>th</sup> October**  
Parents' Evening 2  
5pm to 8pm

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec**  
End of Autumn Term  
Christmas Holiday