

Isleham C of E Primary School Year 3

Spring News

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Welcome to Year 3

Mr Walker, Mrs Dunsmuir, Mrs Goldsack,

Miss Thickpenny and Mrs Airey

I hope everyone enjoyed a fantastic Christmas holiday and started the New Year with enthusiasm! In class our African adventure has begun. My resolution is to make sure all the reading records have a least two comments in every Wednesday so they are ready to go out on Thursday. I would appreciate it if you could support this resolution by helping your child pack their school bag on Tuesday evening so when I ask them to check bags, they manage to find their reading books.

There will be many opportunities during the coming year to help out in school. If you would like to support our weekly swimming lesson in the Summer term or would be interested in offering assistance with other aspects of the curriculum, please contact the school office for further information.

Our class coffee morning date is: **Monday 5th March (9:00am)**



Adults in Yr3



Mr Walker and
Mrs Dunsmuir

How to help

- Support your child with daily reading and encourage them to record two comments a week.
- Spellings need to be practiced every day to help learn them.
- It is also very helpful if you can practise key mental calculations, such as number bonds to 10, 20, 100, doubling and halving.
- Practice times tables up to x10.

	What to take to school	What to bring home
Monday	PE kit (Outdoor)	PE kit
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Reading Record Homework (MyMaths)	
Thursday	Spellings	PE kit Homework (MyMaths) Spellings
Friday	PE kit (indoor) Timestables	

**For Your
Calendar:**

January 8th
School Clubs start

January 31st
Science Day for
Y3/4

February 5th / 6th
Parents Evening

What we are learning this term:

African Adventure

English

The focus for the first half of the term will be adventure stories including King Solomon's Mines. We will also be looking at traditional tales to link in with our 'African Adventure' topic. Later on we will be reading the 'Dr K Fisher' books and writing explanations to help solve an African creature's problem.

Maths

In Number we will be continuing to look and multiplication and division. After that we will be looking at Money, followed by Statistics. In our Measurement unit we will investigate length and perimeter. Our last unit this term will be learning about Fractions of shapes and numbers.

History / Geography

We will be exploring the topic of 'Africa' this term. The focus will be on developing our understanding of other countries using maps, photographs and stories.

Art / Design Technology

To start the term we will be creating African sunsets using water colours and silhouettes. We will then use the 'Brushes' app to recreate it electronically. We will investigate African Art and will block print onto hessian bags. Later on we will be making some tasty African food.

Music and French

In French, delivered by Mrs Barber, the work will focus on working on memorisation skills for learning new vocabulary. Our first unit using the Music Charanga scheme is called 'Three Little Birds.' After half term we will move on to 'The Dragon Song' unit.

ICT and PE

In ICT we will be recording and presenting ourselves using the iPad. After half term we will be exploring computer networks, including the internet. PE lessons will be on a gymnastic unit with a PE Coach for the first half term. If the weather is bad we will speed stack in the class.

Science

We will finish off our 'Light' topic this term. We will be using the iPad to investigate which room gets the most light in school. We may even make simple spy glasses. Rocks and Soils will then be our next Science topic. We will be investigating different soils and making comparisons.

RE and PSHCE

R.E this term will explore what is it like to follow God. Next term we will be looking at Salvation and asking, 'Why do Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday?' In PSHCE we will be 'managing risk' and be able to suggest ways of reducing risk in everyday situations and recognise ways of preventing accidents.

For Your Calendar:

February 12th
Half term begins

March 5th
Yr 3 Class Café

March 29th
End of term