



Year 3 Class News



Summer Term 2023 – 2024

It's the final term – how time flies! The summer is busy, so please find our latest updates on what we'll attempt to cover over the coming few months until your child moves on to year 4. Here then without further delay are the key activities for this term which will engage your child.

**Please remember you can get in touch via ClassDojo or 01270 902055*

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English: This term, we're excited to continue our reading journey with Peter Brown's "The Wild Robot" before transitioning to "The Time Travelling Cat and the Egyptian Goddess" by Julia Jarman. These engaging stories will not only enhance our reading skills but also inspire our writing as we explore different Year 3 text types, including narratives, explanations, and persuasive texts. These books will beautifully complement our studies in history and art, enriching our understanding of Ancient Egyptian culture and mythology.

Guided Reading: Our literary voyage continues this term with a diverse array of reading materials. We will delve into various genres including fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and playscripts. This selection will enhance our comprehension abilities and deepen our appreciation of literature's many forms, enriching our discussions and understanding of different texts.

Maths: This term, our maths explorations will include studies of Mass & Capacity, Fractions, Money, Time, Shape, and Statistics. Through engaging practical activities and thought-provoking problem-solving tasks, we aim to build a robust understanding of these essential mathematical concepts.

Science: We will be completing our fascinating study on plants and beginning an exciting new topic on Light. Revision of previous science topics will also be part of our curriculum, ensuring a well-rounded understanding as we progress. Additionally, regular visits to our STEAM Studio will provide hands-on experiences, integrating science with technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics.

History (Geography): Our journey through time takes us to Ancient Egypt this term. We'll explore this remarkable civilisation, learning about their way of life, beliefs, and contributions to history, which will also inspire our art projects.

PE: This term focuses on Athletics and Field Games, with a special weekly session of swimming each Friday. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on Tuesdays and Fridays, ready for an active day. We'll change into our swimming gear at the pool.

RE: We will explore how beliefs shape identity and what it means to be part of a religion or worldview. This exploration will deepen our understanding of different cultures and beliefs, enhancing our respect and appreciation for diversity.

Music: We continue our musical journey with violin lessons every Thursday afternoon with Miss Smith. Our budding musicians are making great strides, and we look forward to showcasing their skills.

Art: This term, we will be telling stories through drawing and making, with a special focus on how artists draw inspiration from various art forms. We'll explore sculpture inspired by Ancient Egyptian mythology and beliefs, encouraging creativity and expression.

DT: We are finishing our cross-stitch cushion project and will embark on a new adventure into the digital world of wearable technology. Using both virtual and actual micro:bits, students will engage in creating their own tech-inspired designs.

French: This term's themes are Seasons and Ice-cream. Through fun and interactive activities, students will expand their French vocabulary and improve their understanding of how language can describe different aspects of the world.

Computing: We'll focus on desktop publishing and programming with events and actions in programs. These activities will enhance students' IT skills and prepare them for more complex computing concepts in the future.

Class Dojo

We continue to celebrate the achievements of our students with Dojo Points, awarded for academic efforts, good manners, and more. Our Learning Powers continue to play a vital role in developing effective learners, celebrated weekly in our assemblies.

Learning Powers

At Nantwich Primary Academy, our Learning Powers are the cornerstone of 'The Pathway to Success'. Each Power represents a fundamental value that, when practiced daily, strengthens our learning capabilities, shaping us into well-rounded and effective learners. In our weekly Celebration Assembly and through the School Newsletter, we take pride in acknowledging the use of these Learning Powers. Additionally, every week, one student is entrusted with the responsibility of caring for a Learning Power character, symbolising their commitment to embodying these essential values.

Homework

Your child should have brought home their summer 1 homework tasks with this newsletter, but if you lose them they will always be available in PDF format on our school website class page. As before, Dojo points will be awarded for tasks completed. Try to spread the tasks out over the half-term, as we will celebrate the homework in the final week of this half-term.

Alongside the homework tasks, we will test spellings each Friday starting on 19th April. Once we complete the assigned spelling tests, we will revisit spellings from throughout year 3 as we try to get the pupils as fluent with correct spelling as we can before they transition to year 4.

Reading diaries/Reading books

It is essential that your child reads a minimum of three times a week. Not only this though, when you listen to your child read please ask them questions from time to time about what the characters are doing, why your child thinks the characters are acting in certain ways, saying the things they say, feeling the way they feel. See if they can predict what will come later in the story etc. This will help build their understanding of the text, and not just how to read it.

Times Table Rockstars

In year 4, your child will be required by the Government to be assessed on their multiplication tables. As such, throughout this summer term, and over the summer holidays before they return to school in September, it is vital that you support your child in becoming fluent at the majority of their multiplication tables. They should be fluent in x2, x5, x10 and in year 3 more fluent at x3, x4 and x8. Naturally, your child may also know facts from other times-tables. At the end of the day, if they can know all their times-tables, then this is best for many years of maths to come, and at High School.

Snack

Snack is available each day. 50p will buy a piece of toast and drink with a bacon roll and drink for £1.30 on Fridays! Your child will not need much more than our offer as lunchtime soon comes round. If you are sending in snacks from home please provide a healthy choice, crisps and chocolate bars can be kept to lunchtime. Polite reminder that we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**.

PE Kit and Uniform

In the summer term, year 3 should come in their PE kits on Tuesdays and Fridays. However, on Friday they will need to bring their swimming kit, towel and goggles if needed. We will have swimming sessions on Friday afternoon, and get changed out of our PE kits at the pool. For our Tuesday PE session, School PE Uniform should be correctly worn at all times this can be found on the school website. <https://www.nantwichprimaryacademy.org/uniform>

Thank you for your continued support, Mr Bebbington & Mrs Seddon

