

Year 3 Newsletter



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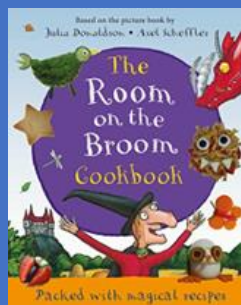
Autumn Term 1

Wednesday 4th September 2024
to
Friday 25th October 2024

Theme – ‘Food, glorious food!’

Welcome back! We hope you and your children have had a lovely time over the summer break and have been able to relax and enjoy some sunshine ready for the exciting term ahead.

To develop a love of reading, please read to your child and encourage them to read to you. Your child will receive a reading book and can change it as soon as they have read it. Please support your child to record reading sessions in their reading diary.



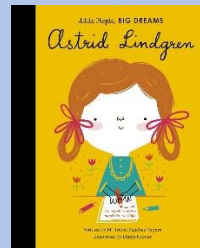
This term, our class novels will be:

George's Marvellous Medicine - George wants to teach his grumpy grandma a lesson so when it comes to medicine time George creates a marvellous medicine.

The Room on the Broom Cookbook and Gruffalo Crumble – both these books are filled with exciting recipes based on Julia Donaldson's brilliant books. We will be reading the recipes and following the instructions to make some interesting foods.

Our School Values

Achieve **Care** **Value** **Listen** **Help**



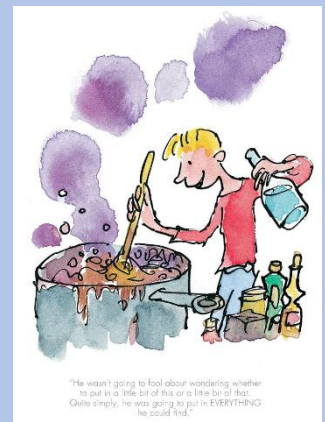
Our focus for this half term's value is 'Achieve'. Mrs Oakes' class will be looking at the author Astrid Lindgren who wrote the stories about Pippi Longstocking, and Miss Fells class will be reading about Malala Yousafzai, the young activist and campaigner. Both these people have made huge achievements throughout their lives through hard work and determination.

English

In English, we will be writing setting and character descriptions then moving on to write a set of instructions. We will be using the rhymes from George's Marvellous Medicine to write our own poems.

Our guided reading will focus on a range of decoding and questions which will help us to understand a range of different texts. We will use the Reading Gem questions to predict, summarise, retrieve, define, sequence, explore, compare and relate our reading text.

We will be recapping phonics sounds and spellings from Year 2 as well as learning new spelling patterns.



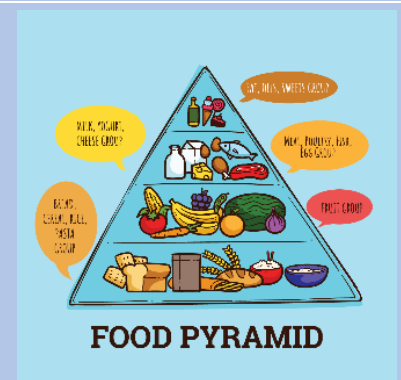
Maths

In maths, over the next few weeks, we will learn :

- Understand and use Place Value
- Representing numbers to 1000
- Comparing and ordering numbers
- Partitioning numbers to 1000
- Counting in steps of 25, 50 and 100
- Addition
- Subtraction
- Estimating
- Problem solving

Science

In our science work, we will be learning about the different food groups and the nutrition that they provide us. We will understand the impact the different food groups have on the human body, then we will design our own healthy menus.





Research

Geography – Where does our food come from?

This half term, we will be exploring the continents and the different biomes to find out where different foods come from around the world, and how this can impact on our environment.

Design Technology



In Design and Technology, we will be looking at foods that are in season. The children will be designing and creating different recipes using fruit and vegetables that are in season. The fun part is that they will get a chance to taste the different foods!

Music

This half term, the children will be listening to, appraising and improvising music based on the song 'Let your Spirit Fly.'

PE

In PE, we will be looking at different the skills involved in basketball. The children will work on their own, in pairs and small groups to develop their knowledge and understanding of invasion games.

Our PE lesson is on a Wednesday, please remember to have a school PE kit (plain white T-shirt and plain black shorts) in school at all times.



Art



We will be looking at the drawings and illustrations of Quentin Blake. Using pen, pencil and watercolours we will have a go at drawing in Blake's style.

Quentin Blake illustrated many of Roald Dahls stories, and we will be looking out for these while reading George's Marvellous Medicine.

French

We will start learning French this half term! Our topic is 'Greetings' and we will learn new vocabulary for greeting different people at different times of the day or night. We will practising using these in conversations to build up our confidence.

We will learn some vocabulary associated with different foods, and have a go at asking for different things in a shop role play situation.

PSHE

The unit for this term is: 'Being Me in My World.' We will understand how to value ourselves and others. We will recognise how it feels to be happy, sad or scared and identify if others are feeling these emotions. We will understand that our behaviour brings rewards / consequences.



Computing

In our computing work with Mr Goodier, we will be practising our word processing skills, then learning to click and drag images into a document and change how they look. This will be themed around George's Marvellous Medicine.

Homework

A piece of English and Maths will usually be given every Friday, in a homework folder. This should be returned by the following Wednesday. In addition, there will be a times tables and spelling to learn for a 'test' on the following Friday. Please support your child by listening to them read as often as possible.

We are very pleased to have Mrs Charles working in Mrs Oakes class until February 2025. Mrs Charles is doing her teacher training with us and will also work in year 5 later in the school year.

We really look forward to the term ahead. If you need to get in touch, please see a member of staff at the door and we will make an appointment as soon as possible. Alternatively, send in a brief note and we will be in contact as soon as we can.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Mrs Oakes and Miss Fell