

Class 3 Spring Newsletter

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break with friends and family. We would also like to say a big thank you for the lovely Christmas gifts we received - it is very kind of you all!

Reading

We will be reassessing reading this half term and moving those on scheme books on, if possible. Please make sure that you send books in every day - we have independent reading slots across the week and readers are heard by adults on a Monday and Thursday. Please continue to **Strive for 5!** each week - trying to read at least 5 times a week at home! This will really improve your child's reading. Books will be checked on a Monday for this.

Homework

Children will be set spellings, times tables and Maths homework as they were last term. These link to learning that is taking place within class. Spelling tests will be on **Monday**, times tables on a **Thursday** and maths homework goes out on a **Thursday**, due in on a **Wednesday**. Please make sure these are in on time so that they can be marked and sent out again.

English

Our first text we will be reading is called *Big Blue Whale*, by Nicola Davies, where our final outcome will be writing a persuasive informative article about whales for the protection of the blue whale. We will be learning about using persuasive language and the key features of non-fiction writing.

Science

Our science topic is Sound, when we will be identifying how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating, recognising that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear, and recognise that sounds become fainter as the distance from the sound source increases. We will be learning about how to make a fair test.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to speak to us at the end of the school day or you can contact us through email at admin@antrobus.cheshire.sch.uk Mrs Singh & Mrs Ripley

Religious Education

In RE this term, we will be looking at why Christians believe that Jesus is the Son of God, and how they believe that he was both human and divine. We will also look at the importance of the Sabbath to Jews. We will then look at the Easter story and ask if it is a story of trust or betrayal.

History and Geography

This term our History theme is based on Ancient Greece - a study of Greek life & achievements and their influence on the western world. In Geography we will be looking at the major cities around the world and locating them on maps and in atlases, under the theme of All Around the World.

PE

The children will be having PE on **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. Please ensure your child has a named PE kit suitable for both indoor and outdoor PE.

No Outsiders

During this term we are reading *Two Monsters* by David McKee to learn how to find a solution to a problem. We will also read *The Hueys in the New Jumper* by Oliver Jeffers to recognise and help an outsider.

Show and Tell

Please can we ask that any show and tell is linked to our current topics only. We will endeavour to do show and tell weekly when we have time.

English

Big Blue Whale by Nicola Davies - story and information book about the blue whale. Final piece writing a persuasive text about protecting the blue whale

Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura following the story of a child who finds out about the Stone Age. We will write a story based on the Stone Age

Author of the Term - Enid Blyton

PE

Tuesday Dodgeball (Staff)

Wednesday Gymnastics (Coach)

PSHE

One World
Be Yourself

Art & Design Clay Creatures

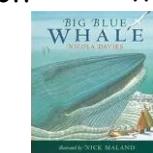
We will explore techniques to shape and join clay. We will then plan and sculpt our own clay figures.

Design Technology

Simple programming and controls - making an LED sign or night light

More information about each of these subjects can be found on the school website:

<http://www.antrobusandbudworthprimaryschools.co.uk/>

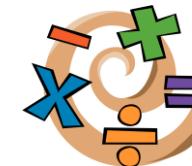


RE

Why do Christians believe that **Jesus is the Son of God?** - learn that Christians believe Jesus is both human and divine

Judaism - why is the Sabbath important to Jews?

Easter - Is the Easter story about trust or betrayal? **World Faiths** - what do they teach about forgiveness?



Computing

Year 3 Data and Information:
Creating branching databases

Y4 Creating Media:
Audio Production



Maths

Both Year 3 and 4:
Multiplication and Division (B)
Length and Perimeter
Fractions



Year 3 only: Mass and Capacity
Year 4 only: Decimals (A)

History - Ancient Greece

Learn about who the Ancient Greeks were and their influence on the Western World



Geography

All around the World - using maps and atlases to locate countries

French

Numbers 1-20
Days and months

Music

Sounds
Around the World