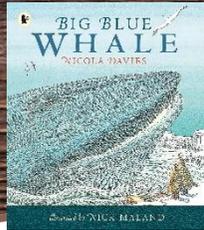


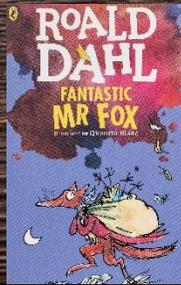
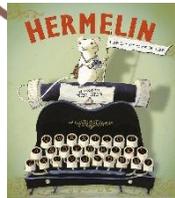
Spring 2 in Year 3



English



We are reading...



During the first week of the half term, we will be reading the book 'Hermelin the detective mouse'. We will be linking this to our school value, 'rewarded'.

We will then begin our Pathways to Write unit, exploring the text 'Big Blue Whale'. We will use the text to deepen our understanding of non-fiction writing, focusing on how writers use clear organisational features such as headings, subheadings and factual detail. Throughout the unit, we will continue to develop rich vocabulary, with a particular focus on using precise adjectives to describe and explain. To end the half-term, we will write our own informative report about blue whales, showcasing the knowledge and writing skills we have built.

Maths

As part of our maths learning, we will begin working on **fractions**. We will be considering both unit and non-unit fractions. Year 3 children are learning that fractions represent equal parts of a whole. We will use shapes and number lines to represent fractions.

Afterwards, we will focus on **mass and capacity**. We will learn how to measure and compare using grams, kilograms, millilitres and litres. We will practise reading scales, estimating amounts and solving real-life problems involving weight and volume.

Reading

This half-term, we will be reading **Fantastic Mr Fox** as a class. The children will explore themes of cleverness, courage and family loyalty as Mr Fox outwits the farmers to protect his loved ones. We will also look at a variety of alternative texts across the half-term in our reading sessions, including fiction and non-fiction texts.

In addition, reading aloud to your child and discussing stories/books develops their range of vocabulary and their love for books.

Our PE days will be... Monday and Wednesday

The children are welcome to come to school wearing their PE kits on these days.

Please ensure that they are wearing the correct PE kit (red top and black shorts/tracksuit bottoms with trainers). We politely request that earrings are removed for PE days, or that they can be easily removed by the child.

Other information

Homework will be set on a **Friday** (via Atom Prime) and this is due in on the following **Wednesday**.

We would encourage children to make use of **Times Tables Rockstars** to continue practising key number facts and recall. We are also working hard to learn our 3x and 4x tables (and the associated division facts) so would love for you to support with this at home.

Any other important communication will be sent home on School Spider. This will include important upcoming dates (such as Wellbeing Wednesday, Big Read and Times Table

