

Who's Who in Year 3?



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Joy Lane Primary School

Year 3 Newsletter

Terms 3 & 4 - 2020

Welcome back—we hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Christmas holiday with your families!

This booklet gives an overview of our teaching and learning programme throughout Terms 3 and 4, including a breakdown of what your child will be doing in each area of learning. If you have any further questions, or if you are able to offer any expertise or enrichment opportunities, then please see your child's class teacher.

Term 3 Learning Theme: Romans

During this term, we will be researching the Roman period.

The children will be using a variety of sources to find out what life was like during the Roman times, discovering how and when the Romans came to Britain and learning about the impact they had on our country.



We will also be creating our own catapults linked to our Science unit of 'Forces' and participating in a Roman drama workshop!

Ted Hughes
the Iron
man



Term 4 Learning Theme: Iron Man

We will be using both the book 'The Iron Man' and 'The Iron Giant' film as a stimulus for our writing and learning activities in Term 4, including writing our own poetry and becoming news reporters!

Our Science unit will also link as we look at different types of metals for our 'Magnets' unit.



Year 3 Learning Themes

English

We will be continuing to work on our non-negotiables in our writing, including punctuation, adverbs and a wider range of conjunctions. We will be linking our writing closely to our learning theme 'Romans'. Over the term, we will be writing letters as Roman Soldiers during the invasion and creating empowering speeches as the leader of the Celtic uprising, Boudicca. Finally, we will be making factual posters about the impact that the Romans had on Britain. We will be teaching the children the skills to edit and improve their work and encouraging them to do this regularly in their writing.



Mathematics



We will be developing the children's knowledge of multiplication and division, including introducing new written methods for these. We will also be looking at Statistics and money over the course of Terms 3 and 4.

We will continue to practise our Kung-Fu times tables daily and apply our knowledge in regular maths investigations and problem solving.

Science

We will start with a very hands-on unit exploring Forces taking part in investigations to help the children understand how they work and even creating catapults! In Term 4, we will be investigating magnets and understanding their uses within our daily lives.



French:

Through the continued use of songs and games, as well as the daily use of common French greetings, the children will start to develop their confidence using basic greetings, counting to 10 and to learning colour names in French.

Music

We will be getting noisy and exploring the different elements of music, including rhythm and pitch, as we create music using junk in Term 4. We will practise working as a group to create a piece to perform to one another.

Art

In Art, we will be making our own Roman shields to re-enact a battle formation. We will also be making Roman coil pots and creating our own mosaic masterpieces. In Term 4, we will be building our own Iron men in DT and creating atmospheric abstract art of the Iron man himself.



PSHE

We will be looking closely at different roles within society and understanding the importance of having rules and laws.

Homework and Supporting your Child at Home



Times Tables

Times Tables Rock Stars is available for your child to play each week. If you have lost your child's login, please see your class teacher.

Reading

We encourage children to read daily. In order to achieve a stamp within our Reading Olympics scheme, your child needs to read for ten or more minutes each night with this being recorded by an adult in their Reading Diary.

Visit <https://www.theschoolrun.com/best-childrens-books-about-ancient-rome> for recommendations of non-fiction and fiction texts to support our Ancient Rome theme.



Spellings

Spellings will be sent home every Monday on Dojo, ready for a test the following Monday. We encourage practising these words at home - it really does make a difference to the children's learning. We will be sending home Spellings games mats for fun ways to help your children practise.

Important Reminders

- Please make sure your child arrives before 8:50am.
- Please make sure clothes, including coats and PE kits, are all named.
- Children wanting to play football at lunchtime MUST have a change of trousers and footwear in a named carrier bag.
- Remember that children should not wear earrings on PE days.
- Reading Diaries should be brought in daily. Please look at Diaries for any messages from your child's teacher.
- Year 3 Class Sharing Assemblies are in Term 3 or 4—we hope to see you there!

