

St. Margaret Clitherow Primary Catholic Academy

Year 3 – Spring News

A few reminders:

- Please label all of your child's belongings, including jumpers, scarves, hats and gloves.
- Please ensure that P.E kits are in school every day in case of changes to the time table.
- Please read as much as you can with your child at home, at least 4 times a week, and record it in their reading diary.
- Use Mathletics every week to complete tasks set and earn points!



Homework

Homework will be given out on a **Friday** and will need to be returned the following **Thursday**. Please encourage your child to complete their homework every week as it reinforces learning from the classroom. Mathletics is also set to reinforce skills.

Homework folders – This will focus on learning from English, Maths, Topic or R.E. A different task will be given each week.

Spellings – This term spellings will focus on learning the rules set out in the Year 3 NC. A sentence showing the meaning of each spelling is required in your child's reading journal. These will be tested every **Friday**.

RIC – This will need to be completed in the reading journal.

Time tables – These will be tested every **Thursday**. It is essential that your child learns their times tables and related division facts as quickly as possible so they can move onto the next set. For those children that are secure in their times tables they will work on missing numbers and speed challenges.

Welcome back and Happy New Year!!

At the end of last term, we held our first Enterprise Fair in school. All the classes needed to make something to sell at the fair. In year 3, we decided to make Harry Potter wands and melting snowmen biscuits. We managed to make a massive profit of **£74.50** – WOW! The children have decided to spend their money on arts and craft equipment for wet play and free time, as well as new pencils and glue sticks for the whole class. Thank you to everyone that came along and supported us. We had a brilliant Autumn term in Year 3, let's continue with this positive attitude in 2018.

Learning Update – Please see the curriculum overview for the year for more information

In English, we will concentrate on writing to entertain and developing out descriptive writing. The children will plan, draft and edit their own narrative with a mythical theme, In addition they will explore a range of poems which they will compose and perform.

Within Maths lessons, we will focus on securing our knowledge of multiplication and division. The children will then move onto learning about statistics and fractions. In all topics, we will use a concrete, pictorial and abstract approach. The children will complete fluency, reasoning and problem solving tasks.

The topics that the children will cover this term will focus on The United Kingdom and The Water Cycle. The children will develop their geography skills in both topics.

In Science, the children will focus on two topics – sound and light. In all science lessons, the children will work scientifically to deepen their scientific knowledge. The children will carry out investigations and then evaluate them to make new discoveries and answers questions.

In R.E, the children will follow the Come and See programme. They will complete the following themes – journeys, listening and sharing, and giving all. They will focus on describing and giving reasons for the actions and beliefs of Christians.