

Years 3 and 4 Class Newsletter

Spring Term 3 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL.

We hope you have all enjoyed a restful Christmas with your families and the children are as enthusiastic as ever for the coming term.

Our new big question is:

What is the greatest invention?

We will start the term with a week of research into pioneering inventions throughout the ages under the headings of transport, medicine and communication.

Science will continue to be 'hands on' investigation and skills based, which the children love. This term our topic is Magnets & Forces, linking nicely to The Iron Man which will be the basis for our writing.

Comprehension, spellings, handwriting and grammar will all be taught as part of the English curriculum.





During our daily reading sessions, we will continue guided reading in a focused way, skimming and scanning and modelling how to find & answer question types. There will be time to practise handwriting, as well as quiet time to drop everything and read (D.E.A.R) and immerse themselves in their own books. The children will continue to receive weekly spellings, via the parent mail system, based on strategies or patterns learned that week or relevant topic or science words.



For homework, we will be setting a 'My Maths' computer-based task or an English task or a Purple Mash activity on a rotational basis, as well as spellings. Please continue to support your child in completing and handing in homework on time as part of their growing responsibility and self-reliance and encourage them to contribute their news and thoughts via our Class Blogs on Purple Mash.

Games will continue on a Wednesday when the children come to school in their PE kit. This term we will be playing hockey and learning how to control and pass the ball.

Although we cannot operate the usual open door policy at the moment, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office, who will forward any queries to us.

Kind regards,

Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Thorpe and Mrs. Wilson