

We hope you have had an enjoyable holiday and enjoy reading about all of the exciting learning that will be taking place in Year 3 this half-term on the run up to October Half Term. With the weather changing and the evenings drawing in, please make sure that your child comes to school wearing a coat. As always, if you have any questions about your child's learning, catch one of us at the end of the day.



## English



We shall be diving into our Writing head-first by recapping on basic skills that the children will need as they begin in Year 3. This will be through exploring the use of descriptive writing based on fossils and basic vocabulary skills such as adjectives and noun phrases. We shall also be concentrating on sentence structures, ensuring that we are using a wide range of sentence types and eventually, understanding how to use them for effect.

In Reading, children shall be developing their strategies for understanding what they have read using retrieval skills - our class book is *Stone Girl Bone Girl*.

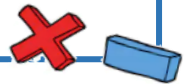
Children should be reading a variety of material at home at least 3 times and have it recorded in their reading record.



## Maths

In Year 3 we will start the year by recapping on skills that they learned in Year 2. This will be done through the topic, **Adding and Subtracting Across 10** in which children will learn about skills on how to add and subtract across 10. We will then move to the concept of Place Value by looking at **Numbers to 1000** in which children will observe how to find numbers to 1000 using different ways to help them.

Children should use **Times Tables Rockstars** at least three times a week to practise their multiplication tables. They will be set times tables specific to the ones we are focusing on in class each week.



## Science

This half term, we shall be discovering all there is to know about **rocks, soils and fossils**. We shall focus on describing different rocks and their properties and then begin to group and compare different types of rocks and the fossilisation process. We will finally look at the different types of soils and what they are made from.



## Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 1



### History & Geography



We will be looking at **Life Outside Kirkby**. In this unit, both classes will look at the different things about their class name. In Mrs Osborne's class, the children will learn about Leeds whereas Mrs Tate's class will learn about York. In Autumn 2 the two classes will swap over and we will look at the other city and explore what makes them unique cities.

## RE

In RE we will be looking at Hinduism and Diwali. We will start this by observing how the story of Rama and Sita relates to Diwali. We will then start to look at the many ways Hindus celebrate Diwali by creating Rangoli patterns and Diya lamps. We will then conclude this topic by exploring how Diwali allows a person to feel a part of a community.

## P.E



Our P.E days are: **Wednesday and Thursday**. Please make sure that your child has their P.E kit at school with them all week. Our P.E units this half term are: **Fitness & Football**.

## Diary Dates & Messages

Please add these dates to your calendar.

Parents' Evening 1: TBC

End of term:

Start of Autumn 2:



## Homework

Children should: Practise times tables on TTRS.

Read **at least** 3 times per week and use MYON to quiz any books that have been read.