

**Cheetwood Community Primary School**  
**Year 3 Curriculum News - Autumn Term 1 2024**

**Class Teacher: Mr Brown**

**Teaching Assistant: Miss Bilkis**

**In Y3 this half term your child will be learning the following:**

**English**

- 'I'll take you to Mrs Cole' by Michael Foreman
- Writing narratives
- Descriptions
- Instructions
- Poetry

**How you can support your child:**

- Listen to them read at home, ask them questions about their book and encourage reading for pleasure. To help your child to improve their reading, encourage them to read at least three times a week and get their reading record signed each time.
- Read books by a variety of authors both fiction and non-fiction.
- Read as many real-life instructions as possible – DIY, recipes, arts and crafts etc.
- Help them to complete their homework & discuss their big talk with them.
- Practise their spellings with them.
- Listen to them reading poetry out loud.

**Our day for changing school reading books is FRIDAY.**

**Library books are changed on Fridays.**

**All school reading books should be in school DAILY please.**

**Maths**

**Number and place value – written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication, division; place value & fractions**

- Count from 0 in multiples of 100; find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number
- Recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number (hundreds, tens, ones)
- Compare and order numbers up to 1000
- Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations
- Read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words solve number problems and practical problems involving these ideas

**How you can support your child**

- Practise mental maths skills at home regularly, particularly times tables. It is important that pupils know their times tables and can recall the corresponding division facts  
e.g.  $6 \times 4 = 24$ ,  $24 \div 6 = 4$ .
- Encourage your child to use maths in everyday life. For example, counting out money to pay in shops, reading bus or television timetables, sharing out treats equally or weighing out ingredients.
- Encourage your child/play games with them – maths snap, hit the button, bingo etc.

**Science**

**Areas of Study:** Health & movement

**How you can support your child:**

- Discuss the different categories of food and how to correctly eat healthily – a balanced diet.
- Keep a food and/or exercise diary
- Watch out for this topic on the news!
- Encourage children to recognise what they're eating and what they need more/less of.
- Discuss and explore the effects of sleep and exercise on their bodies.

**History – Stone Age to Iron Age**

This half term we are studying life in Stone Age Britain. The pupils will be finding out about the Stone Age and what life was like for people over 15, 000 years ago. They will also research the Iron Age and find out about Celt Britain.

- Stone age buildings and materials
- Animals that lived during the Stone Age
- Skara Brae archaeological site
- Stonehenge

**How you can support your child:**

- Encourage them to discuss with you what they have learnt in history.
- Help them to do library or internet research about The Stone Age
- Make an information book together: All About Stone Age Life

**Pupils will be doing PE every Monday and Wednesday.** Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on this day. They do not need to wear school uniform but must still bring in their jumper and coat as well as their book bags. As pupils are not permitted to wear any jewellery for PE it helps if earrings and other jewellery are not worn to school on the PE day.

#### **Useful websites**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/>

The BBC site has a schools area with lots of games and learning resources for English and maths.

<http://www.amblesideprimary.com/> - lots of activities and learning resources.

<http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/> – activities, homework and revision.

The following websites are excellent resources to practise and learn times tables

<http://www.teachingtables.co.uk/>

<http://www.sums.co.uk/mathematics/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

**We also have links to really helpful and engaging resources on our own school website**

#### **Homework**

**Every Friday your child will be given:**

- A piece of homework to supplement their reading, Maths or literacy work linked to learning in class.
- A set of spellings/rules and/or phonics to be learnt for a weekly test.

#### **Contacts**

If you wish to speak to me, you can make an appointment with the office or find me on the playground at the end of the day.