

Newsletter Class 3

January 2019



Dear Parents/Carers of Class 3,

Welcome back, I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year! Class 3 are very fortunate to be welcoming back Miss Kemp again this half term. Miss Kemp is an excellent student teacher studying at UCL and she will be working alongside me to teach the class for the next five weeks.

Maths – Multiplication and Division- The children will be focusing on the core operations in mathematics; multiplying and dividing. Any time you could spend with your child practicing their times tables (up to 12×12) would be hugely beneficial to their progress.

English – The Hobbit - We have delved straight into our class novel The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien and already the children are finding the mystical world of elves, goblins and wizards fascinating.

Geography – Mountains and Rivers - Our focus has shifted from History to Geography this half term. To complement the adventure story in English, the children will be learning about the climate in mountains, how rivers are formed and the water cycle.

Science – States of Matter – The children have already started exploring solids, liquids and gases in Science and the questions that were generated in the first lesson led to a very interesting discussion; *is jelly a solid or a liquid?*

P.E. – Gymnastics – PE will take place on a Wednesday, led by Multi-Sports coaches, and with me on a Friday doing gymnastics. This session with me will be indoors so please ensure your child has the correct PE kit, including indoor plimsolls. For safety reasons, if your child does not have the correct footwear they will do PE barefoot.

Homework

Homework will continue to be given out on Thursday and is due in on Tuesday the following week. If, for any reason, your child is unable to complete the set task on time please let me know. I have been very impressed with the promptness of homework being handed in on time- keep it up!

Spelling

Spelling tests take place every Monday as usual. Half of the spelling words are those that are statutory according to the National Curriculum for Years 3 & 4 and the other half are selected from our class novel The Hobbit.

In the meantime, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Mrs Alvarez

Class Teacher