

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **BROOKFIELD SCHOOL**

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## Year 3 Autumn Term Curriculum Letter

Year 3 have made a great start to the new year school, settling back and getting excited about our learning ahead. This term we are continuing our new Brookfield curriculum. Our theme is **Innovation** and, so far as is possible, the different subjects will link back to this theme. On the back of this letter we have outlined the different subjects we will be learning about.

To ensure children are continuing their learning at home, we will be setting weekly homework, which is due in every Tuesday. This will consist of: spellings, reading and a reading diary comment. Additional resources for these are available on Google Classroom. On occasion, extra homework might be set if we feel that children could benefit from more support, or to link with another subject, so please check Google Classroom regularly. Spellings will be tested weekly, usually on a Wednesday or Thursday. This term's spelling list has already been sent home and is also available on Google Classroom, along with spelling strategies. Your child's Google Classroom log-in details have remained the same. We will also be using Times Tables Rockstars, which the children can access through their previous Numbots details. Both their Google Classroom and Times Tables Rockstars details have been glued into the front of their reading diary. We encourage children to try to memorise their details as best as possible.

Please join us for our Curriculum Meeting on Zoom on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> September at 10-10.30am, ID: 980 0109 1240, passcode: nbf7ga, https://zoom.us/j/98001091240?pwd=RmpLOGZzR1NSRmpKc1QuK1dlUFpQdz09.

We are looking forward to supporting your child with reaching their best potential, developing independence and curiosity, and fostering the Brookfield values of responsibility, kindness and achievement. If you have any questions or need to arrange to speak with one of us, please email us at: <a href="mailto:year3@brookfield.camden.sch.uk">year3@brookfield.camden.sch.uk</a>. Thank you for your continuing support.

Best wishes,

Kerryanne, Lillie, Lucy and Norah

Key dates for your diary:

17<sup>th</sup> September – Year 3 Curriculum Meeting (10am)

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 9am Parents/carers Maths Workshop

7th October – Years 2/3 Coffee Morning with Lucy (Phase Leader) – 10am

7<sup>th</sup> October – Open Afternoon (from 1.30pm)

8th October — INSET Day (School closed to children)

22nd October - RE Day

w/c 25th October - Half Term

1st November - Autumn 2 Starts

17th December – Last day of Autumn 2

## <u>| Weekly schedule</u>:

Monday: PE and Music (both classes)

Tuesday: Homework due

Wednesday: Spelling test, PE (Fern) Thursday: Reading diaries home

Friday: PE (Heather)



In PSHE we are focusing on:

Healthy and balanced living, British values and emotional literacy.



Our value of the term is responsibility

We will be learning about this in all of our lessons through how we take responsibility for our behavior and actions, as well as how we can be a responsible citizen. We will also be considering responsibility within the different subject and topics studied over the course of the term. Children will be given different jobs around the school and classroom to help them bring responsibility to life.



As writers, we are inspired by climate action. Through Michael Morpurgo's *This Morning I Met a Whale*, we will write diaries and persuasive letters around theme. We will also be exploring fairytales through *Blackberry Blue* a series of fairytales with black protagonists. We will be writing our own fairytales.

As readers, we will be analyzing the texts used in our literacy and becoming more confident in comprehension skills. We will also use reading lessons to explore vocabulary, as well as developing speaking and listening skills.

As mathematicians we are focusing on number and the four operations  $(+ - x \div)$ . We will explore number in the context of place value and applying the four operations to real life situations, word problems and written methods. Children will be encouraged to develop their reasoning and mathematical explanation through questions and investigations. Later in the term, we will be exploring fractions and geometry, and using these to support learning in other subjects, such as the Egyptian Pyramids.

As scientists we are exploring light! We will be investigating how light travels through different materials and how shadows can be produced and manipulated by creating our own shadow puppets.

As computer scientists we will be exploring the programme J2Write to create documents and presentations, while learning basic word processing skills. Children will also learn different elements of coding. As historians we are exploring the theme of Innovation in Ancient Egypt. Children will discover the world of Egyptian writing, ritual and buildings.

As artists, we will dive into the wonderful world of Pop Art and exploring Andy Warhol's impact on the art world. We will be learning printing techniques with different media to create our own masterpieces.

As design technologists in Autumn 2, we will be learning weaving techniques. These will be based on the artists Nnena Okore.

As musicians, we will be learning about different instruments and how they make sounds, and then creating our own. Please save junk to bring in later this half term.