



**Rosen Class:  
Mrs Hawkes**

# Year 3 Newsletter - Term 3

Welcome to Term 3. We hope that you had a happy and peaceful Christmas break and that the children are ready and excited to start school again. Thank you for supporting your child at home with their learning- it makes an enormous difference to their experiences in school. Please find below most of the important features that we will be covering in Year 3 this term.

Please remember to pack your child a fruit or vegetable snack for breaktime, sweets and chocolate are not permitted. We expect the weather to continue to be cold and wet over this term. Please can you ensure your child brings in a **waterproof coat with a hood every day**, and named gloves and scarves. **Can you please make sure your child brings a named water bottle to school every day. No flavoured water or juice please.**



**Fletcher Class:  
Mrs Graham**

## Home learning opportunities

A big reminder to continue daily reading with your children at home. We recommend a minimum of 10 minutes. We also recommend daily practice of spellings on Spelling Shed and times tables practice using Times Tables Rockstars – there will be competitions this term for the most correct answers, so get practising!

## Maths

In Maths we will be learning more on measures, looking at mass and capacity, we will then look at geometry- angles. We will continue with addition and subtraction looking at informal and mental strategies for adding and subtracting two 3-digit numbers.

## Science

Our key question is: 'How do magnets work?' We will be exploring contact and non-contact forces; different types of magnets and the properties of everyday objects that are magnetic. We will also look at how magnetic forces can act at a distance.

## PSHE

The topic this term is 'Dreams and Goals'. The class will look at examples of people who have overcome challenges to achieve success and discuss what they can learn from these stories. The children will identify their own dreams and ambitions and discuss how it will feel when they achieve them. They will talk about facing learning challenges and identify their own strategies for overcoming these.

## Dates for your diary

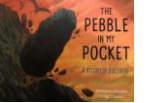
**Friendship workshop: 12<sup>th</sup> January**  
**PFA KPOP Disco: 16<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Roman workshop: 6<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Reports sent home: 6<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Book Fair: 6<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Safer Internet Day – 10<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Parent Consultations: 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Open classrooms: 13<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Term ends: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Half term: 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Staff Development day: 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

**Year 3 Teaching Support Team :**  
**Mrs C. Graham**  
**Mrs M. Hawkes**  
**Mrs K. Giles**  
**Miss K. Kubanska**

As usual, if you have any questions or queries, please ask any of the Year 3 staff team who would, or alternatively you can email us. Our email address is: [year3@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk](mailto:year3@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk)

## English

This term in Shared Reading, we will be reading The Pebble in my Pocket by Meredith Hooper and Chris Coady. This is a fantastic picture book that describes the history of the Earth, and looks at the journey of a pebble- tracking from its origins in a fiery volcano to its place in a modern landscape. In Writing lessons, we will be writing information texts based on a subject the children know lots about- perhaps a hobby, a country or a game- the choice is theirs!



## Religious Education

In RE this term we will be looking at Sikhi. Our key question is: What is important for Sikh people? The children will be looking at describing things that are important to Sikhs and how these impact their lives and actions. They will make links between Sikh stories and the actions of Sikhs today, and make suggestions about why it is important for Sikhs to become part of the Khalsa.

## Physical Education

PE will be on a Monday and Wednesday afternoon. Mondays will be Tudor Dancing in the Hall, please make sure your child has the appropriate indoor PE kit (shorts) and **no earrings on PE day**. Wednesdays will be outdoor Hockey. Children will require shin pads and mouth guards to use the wooden hockey sticks.

## History

Our key question for this topic is: What have the Romans done for us? We will be looking at where they came from, life in Britain before the Romans invaded, how the Roman army enabled them to expand the Roman Empire, as well as how the Romans changed Britain once it became part of the Roman Empire.