

# YEAR 3 NEWS

Campsbourne School Termly Newsletter

Spring 1 - 2018

## Welcome to Spring Term 1

Dear Parents and Carers, happy New Year!

We hope you had an enjoyable and restful break and that your children are all ready to continue learning, having fun and being challenged!

## Adults working in Year 3

### Class Teachers

Monet: Miss Springer-Best

Kandinsky: Miss Patsouris

**Support Staff** Sharon (Monet)

### Trips/Visits

Year 3 will be visiting ZSL Zoo to investigate animal classifications and adaptations!



## English

Children will be completing a 'Warning Story' and developing their description of story settings.

We will then be writing instructions, focusing on layout features (using headings, subheadings, bullet points and numbers) and the use of typical language features such as imperatives and connectives.

## Maths

This term we will be focusing on:

- Multiplication and division strategies and word problems
- Time (Roman numerals, analogue, digital and finding how long)
- Fractions



## Forest Schools

Forest Schools involves outdoor learning and play, environmental education, personal and social development, exploration, adventure education and more all rolled into one!

During these sessions, children gain opportunities to develop self learning through natural play and positive outdoor experiences. They will learn about tree and plant life and how to protect them, shelter building, climbing, safe use of tools, woodland crafts and more.



## Computing

In **computing**, we'll be learning how to plan a presentation, source and create content and then rehearse, refine and develop the skills necessary to present our work to an audience!



## PSHE

Our focus this half term is 'Diversity and Communities'.

We will think about what we already know and learn more about different ethnic and religious communities that exist in the UK.

We will explore what stereotypes are and learn about some of the different views and beliefs people have. Finally, we will explore what kind of communities exist and understand how to value difference and respect diversity.

## Art

Children will investigate various drawing techniques in their sketchbooks including tone and becoming aware of proportion in figure drawing. They will analyse shape, pattern, texture and form from observation (which will link to our National Gallery trip in Spring 2 as part of the 'Take One Picture' project).

## Science

In science, our topic will be 'Environment, Ecology and Evolution'. We will focus on the classifications of different plants and animals, as well as the environments they live in and adaptations in order to survive.



## PE

Wednesdays:

**Invasion games**

**Ball skills and strategies**

Alternate weeks (Friday):

**Swimming/Ball skills**

## Spanish

This term we will be learning to recognise numbers and equations. We will also continue to develop our reading and writing skills with a focus on expressing our feelings,

## Music

Year 3 will be exploring 'Musical Arrangements' for the Class Orchestra. They will be working on recognising different instruments of the orchestra both visually and aurally.



## Homework

Homework will be handed out each week on a Friday with the expectation that it will be returned to school by Wednesday.

**It is the child's responsibility to make sure their homework is handed in.**

There will be a spelling test each week as well as times tables challenges linked to what we have been learning in class.

Please support your child with regular reading and homework help. Spare copies of homework can be requested from the class teacher.

