

YEAR 3 NEWS

Campsbourne School Termly Newsletter

Autumn 1 - 2017

Welcome to Autumn Term 1

Dear Parents and Carers, welcome back to Campsbourne! We hope you had an enjoyable and restful summer and that your children are all ready for a term full of learning and fun!

Adults working in Year 3

Class Teachers

Monet - Miss Springer-Best

Kandinsky - Miss Patsouris

Potential trips this term:

- **Museum of London**
- **Pantomime**

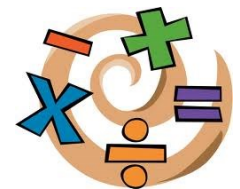
English

In writing our genre this half term is 'Stories with a character flaw'.

We will be particularly focusing on creating and developing effective character descriptions and accurate use of inverted commas.



Maths



This term we will be focusing on:

- Number and place value
- Exploring calculation strategies
- Graphs

History & Geography

This term we will be finding out:

- The Stone Age and Iron Ages
 - Daily life and beliefs
 - Tools and weaponry
 - Skara Brae/Stonehenge



Computing

- In **computing**, children will create an animated cartoon using characters they design. They will use a paint tool to create characters and backgrounds. Finally, they will create an animation of scripted instructions (program) for graphic objects.



PSHE

Our focus this half term is 'Rights and Responsibilities'. We will be exploring class and school rules and charters, with a focus on what democracy is and making decisions. We will have a go at debating and voting and thinking about our responsibilities at school and at home.

Art

During this half term your child will be experimenting with textures. We will compare techniques, collect materials used by other artists and use them to create our own patterns.



Science

In **Science** we'll be finding out about Energy and Sound. We will be starting an exciting programme called Empiribox where the children are able to participate in practical investigations on a weekly basis.

This will include:

- Thermal energy
- Light energy
- Kinetic energy
- Sound energy



PE

PE will take place on **Wednesdays**.

This term's focus will be on fundamental handling and possession skills when playing invasion games such as TAG Rugby. On alternate Fridays, children will focus on the use of a range of expressive language for dance and incorporating different qualities and dynamics into movement. It is essential that your child has the correct school PE uniform for each session.

Spanish

This term children will be learning how to greet others, how to ask questions and respond, the use of classroom commands and counting.

Music

Year 3 will be learning Samba rhythms , concentrating on composing and internalising simple rhythms. They will work on responding to cues from the samba mestre.



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.

