



YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM 2023



Robin Class	Owl Class	Woodpecker Class
Mrs Scanlan and Miss Miller	Mrs Ford and Miss Miller	Mrs Stride-Noble
Year 3 LSAs: Miss Wall, Mr Adaway, Mrs Boast, Mrs Jenkins, Mrs Lewis, Mrs Pannu		

We hope you had a festive Christmas break and that your child is back to school and ready to learn.

Year 3 is the beginning of Key Stage 2 and therefore the expectations of behaviour and learning are high. We welcome your support in the education of your child and we believe that working together will enable your child to effectively access the more challenging curriculum.

Home Learning

- We plan homework tasks very carefully to support and consolidate school learning. Therefore, it is vital that you support and encourage your child to complete the tasks sets and communicate with their teacher if they have any problems doing so.
- For additional information on the Year 3 curriculum, please refer to the Long Term Curriculum Overview for Year 3.
- All maths overviews can be located on the school website.
- Information on home learning projects will be sent out shortly with an expected due date.

Mathematics



- Mathletics tasks will be assigned for home learning each Thursday which must be completed by the following Thursday. This will be linked to the maths learning in lessons that week.
- On a daily basis for at least 10 minutes, your child should practice their times tables using the Times Table Rock Stars site.

English



- Reading - Please ensure that your child reads daily on Bug Club answering the comprehension questions as they read. More details on reading books and reading records will follow.
- Spelling –A Spelling Shed activity will be set each Friday and needs to be completed by the following Friday.

- **Usernames and passwords for online home learning will be sent home via Marvellous Me. They are also stuck inside your child's reading record.**

PE Days & PE Kits

Our PE days are:

Owl and Woodpecker – Mondays and Thursdays
Robin – Tuesdays and Thursdays

The expectation is that your child comes into school in their PE kit on those days.

Please ensure each item of your child's PE kit is labelled clearly with their name and that no jewellery is worn on PE days.

Pencil Cases

Children are permitted to bring in a small pencil case. If your child's pencil case is too large to fit in their tray, then it is not suitable for school and will be sent home.



Marvellous Me



Marvellous Me will be used to send out key information as well as to celebrate your child's successes. It is essential that you are signed up to the app and that you check it regularly.



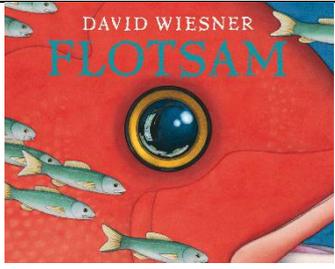
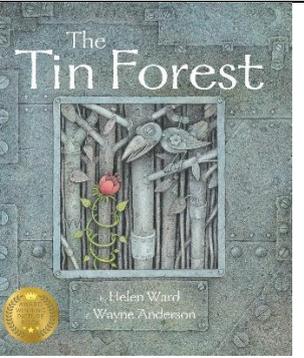
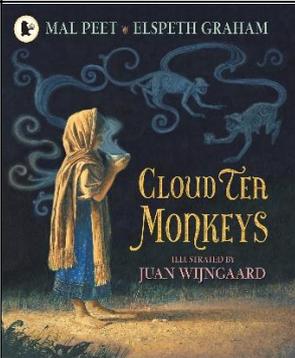
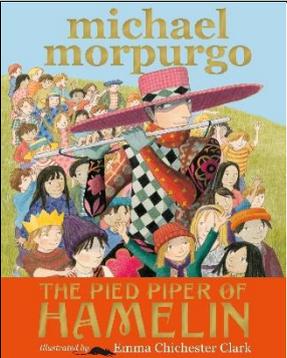
Remember to check if your child is a published author on Pobble!

Important Dates

2 nd January	Inset Day
6 th February	Parents evening
7 th February	Parents evening
12 th –16 th February	Half term
19 th February	Inset Day
20 th February	Back to school
7 th March	World Book Day
28 th March	Break up at 2pm

More information on key school events such as parent consultations will follow.

At APPS, we follow The Literary Curriculum with Literacy Tree, which places quality literature at the core of English teaching. Below are the texts that Year 3 will study over the course of the term. If you are able to discuss the books with your child as we study them, it would really support their learning. All books are available from bookshops and local libraries. Please refer to the Year 3 text overview on the school's website for the texts studied in the spring and summer terms.

Spring 1		Spring 2	
			
Flotsam – David Wiesner	The Tin Forest – Helen Ward	Cloud Tea Monkeys – Mal Peet	The Pied Piper of Hamelin – Michael Morpurgo

Celebration of Autumn Term Learning

		
Year 3 had the exciting opportunity to visit Butser Ancient Farm this week as part of our learning about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We took part in many activities including making a copper ring and using flint to carve a picture out of chalk.	In computing, we have created our own stop motion animation based on the book The Tin Forest. We planned and constructed our backdrops and scenery. We then used an app on the iPads to film, add audio and edit our movies.	In RE, we have explored the celebration of Diwali. We learnt about the story of Rama and Sita, and why this is important to Diwali. Using clay and vibrant colours, we created Diva lamps and Rangoli patterns.

For further information or queries, please check the school's website or Twitter accounts.

Website: www.ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk Twitter: @Ashford_Park

Should you have any queries, please contact the office on info@ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk

We are very much looking forward to working with you to give your child the best possible learning experience at APPS.

Year 3 Team

Mrs Stride-Noble, Mrs Ford, Mrs Scanlan and Miss Miller