

Year 3 Newsletter Term 3 January 2024



Dear All,

Welcome back! Happy New Year! I hope everyone is well and enjoyed a lovely break. This newsletter provides information for you for this term and gives you information about what your child will be learning in the next term in Year Three. Mrs Clarke, Miss Hulme and Mrs Barrington will be also working in Year 3 this year, along with Mrs Coen/Mrs Fisher on a Thursday pm. If you have any questions about this newsletter or anything else, and you can't see me personally please feel free to message me on Class Dojo or email me. Laura Shepley—I.shepley@newmills-pri.derbyshire.sch.uk





Topic This term our topic is called 'Rocks, Relics and Rumbles'. It will be a geography-based topic. This project teaches children about the features and characteristics of Earth's layers, including a detailed exploration of volcanic, tectonic and seismic activity. This topic will cover many other areas of the curriculum, it has mini topics which run alongside it. These include art and design topics based around fossils, learning about sketching, print work and sculpture. We will also do a study of the artist L.S Lowry. In our DT mini topic, the children will experiment with different shaped cams before designing, making and evaluating a child's automaton toy. In science this term the children will learn about contact and non-contact forces, including friction and magnetism. They investigate frictional and magnetic forces, and identify parts of a magnet and magnetic materials.

Class Dojo – It looks like all the parents are connected on Class Dojo. I will continue to use this platform to keep in regular contact and share the things we're getting up to in Year 3.

Homework –This continues to be in the same format, set on a Friday, handed back in the following Friday. Homework should be recorded in the home work book and please remember to only complete a couple of the tasks, there is no need to do them all, unless of course your child wants to. I try to provide as much choice as possible. We are also having a big push on learning the times tables too so any work on TTRockstars would be very beneficial. Don't forget there're are always activities set on Mathletics too.

Water Bottles - Please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school. These can be purchased from the school office for £1.50. The children really benefit from regular water and sharing cups is obviously not an option. Please ensure that the class water bottle contains only water, no juice please.

PE – days for PE this term will be Monday and Thursday. Earrings need to be removed please as we are unable to cover them.

Daily Mile!

We will be doing the Daily Mile every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:50am.

Forest Schools

Forest School sessions will be on a Wednesday again this term. Please ensure your child has appropriate footwear and clothing. Thank you.

