



# Year 3 Newsletter

## Spring Term 2025



Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the Year 3 Spring Newsletter.

The children will continue their journey along the Homerswood Pathway Curriculum, which encourages children to grow, be curious and discover.

Below is some information for you about the current/upcoming topics and some useful links to help you support your child with their learning at home.

Subject	Topics covered and how to support your child.
English	<p>We will be using fiction and non-fiction texts to continue working on sentence structure and vocabulary building. We will be focusing on text types and the purposes of different texts to develop our writing in the following areas - narrative setting descriptions, persuasive speeches, personal narratives, calligrams (poetry).</p> <p>We will focus on Spoken language and Reading as well as writing in different forms. Please continue to read with your child or encourage them to be reading to maintain their love of books.</p> <p><a href="https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/">https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.homerswood.herts.sch.uk/english/">https://www.homerswood.herts.sch.uk/english/</a></p>
Maths	<p>Topics we will be looking at include:</p> <p>Multiplication and division - 1,2,3,4,5,8 times tables, multiplication strategy, associative and distributive law, multiplication and division worded problems</p> <p>Statistics - pictograms and scaled bar charts</p> <p>Fractions - finding fractions of discrete and continuous quantities, ordering and comparing fractions, adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominators, problem solving with unit and non-unit fractions.</p> <p>Geometry and statistics - properties of 2D shapes, perimeter</p> <p><a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk/">https://www.topmarks.co.uk/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/maths-primary-year-3/units">https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/maths-primary-year-3/units</a></p> <p><a href="https://trockstars.com/">https://trockstars.com/</a></p>
Science	<p>Light - light sources, sun safety, reflective materials, shadows</p> <p>Force and magnets - contact/non-contact forces, how things move on different surfaces, types of magnets, properties of magnets and everyday objects, everyday uses of magnets, magnetic forces at distances</p> <p><a href="https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/science-primary-year-3/units">https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/science-primary-year-3/units</a></p>
Computing	<p>We will be exploring the following topics in Computing:</p> <p>Touch typing - home, top and bottom row keys, left and right keys</p> <p>Email - communication, composing, using email safely, email attachments</p> <p><a href="https://scratch.mit.edu">scratch.mit.edu</a> <a href="https://www.purplemash.com">www.purplemash.com</a> <a href="https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk">www.thinkuknow.co.uk</a></p> <p><a href="https://internetmatters.org">internetmatters.org</a></p>
RSHE	<p>This term we will be covering the topics 'Dreams and goals' and 'Healthy me'.</p>

	<a href="https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/rshe-pshe-primary-year-3-l/units/all-around-me-cd61/lessons">https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/rshe-pshe-primary-year-3-l/units/all-around-me-cd61/lessons</a>
History	The bronze and iron age - we will be looking at how life changed for people during this period of time by looking at archaeological evidence, artefacts and monuments as well as exploring settlements over time.  <a href="https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/history-primary-year-3/units">https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/history-primary-year-3/units</a>
Geography	As part of our Geography learning this term, children will look at the topic: Our world. In this unit the children will be introduced to different ways of communicating geographical data through different map types. They will read weather and climate maps and learn how they are generalised into world climate zones. Biomes will be explored further.  <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zs9ydnb">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zs9ydnb</a>
RE	In RE, we will be exploring Christianity and the the big questions: 'How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim?' 'How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jewish people?'  <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z7hs34j">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z7hs34j</a>
Art	Our focus in Art will be craft and design - Ancient Egyptian scrolls.  Pupils will look at understanding and applying the styles, patterns and techniques of Ancient Egypt through art lessons including designing scrolls, making paper and creating zines  <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zxv346f">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zxv346f</a>
MFL	We will be continuing to look at the French language by looking at the topics of 'Instruments' and 'I am able'  <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z78wjhv">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z78wjhv</a>
PE	Within each of our PE units we will be looking at the following skills:  Gymnastics - point and patch balances, jumps, straight roll, barrel roll, forward roll Ball skills - track, throw, catch, dribble, kick Dodgeball - throw, catch, dodge, jump  <a href="https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/physical-education-primary-year-3-l/units">https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/physical-education-primary-year-3-l/units</a>
Music	Ukelele - Fly with the Stars and Spring Soiree
DT	Digital world - Wearable technology - designing digital wearable technology and developing a program and housing for a Micro:bit  <a href="https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/design-technology-primary-ks2-l/units/electronics-simple-circuits-and-switches-2540/lessons?sid-003099=ZraQ2C_1fF&amp;sm=0&amp;src=3">https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/design-technology-primary-ks2-l/units/electronics-simple-circuits-and-switches-2540/lessons?sid-003099=ZraQ2C_1fF&amp;sm=0&amp;src=3</a>

#### Reminders:

- As always, good attendance is essential to maintain good progress.
- If your child is absent for any reason please contact the school office as soon as possible.
- Children can get a new book from our class library whenever they return their previously borrowed book.
- A labelled filled water bottle should be brought into school every day.
- School shoes should be black and preferably children should wear black trainers on P.E days (these are Wednesday and Friday). Welly boots should be brought in on Thursday for outdoor learning along with the appropriate warm clothing/coat as we go outside in all weathers.

#### Home Learning:

- Home learning will be set via Google Classroom at the start of every week to consolidate that week's learning.
- Children should be reading regularly at home and reading with an adult 3-4 times per week. Please discuss the texts that your children are reading.

- Please begin to use Times Table Rockstars and Spelling Shed at home to enable your child to continue making progress with their learning.

**Important events:**

- Please check the diary dates on the website for regular updates.

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to know more information about this term's learning, please feel free to contact me at [year3@homerswood.herts.sch.uk](mailto:year3@homerswood.herts.sch.uk). Also, if the children would like to share things they have done at home/outside of school which is related to their learning, please feel free to email these in too.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Beg & Mrs Williams