

Year 3 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

We just wanted to share some home learning ideas with you that you might want your child to do if they have to stay home from school.

Maths

Purple Mash - <https://www.purplemash.com/login/>

Times Table Rockstars - <https://trockstars.com/>

Hit the Button - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Supermovers - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/times-table-collection/z4vv6v4>

In maths, our main focus in Year 3 is learning as many times tables and addition and subtraction facts off by heart. Children find formal methods (such as column method) much easier if they are fluent in these number facts.

For example:

- know $4 \times 8 = 32$ which is the same as $8 + 8 + 8 + 8$ and this connects to $32 \div 4 = 8$ and $32 \div 8 = 4$
- numbers that add together to make 100, such as $30 + 70 = 100$ and $28 + 72 = 100$
- related facts such as $3 + 4 = 7$ so $30 + 40 = 70$ and $300 + 400 = 700$

English

We have started looking at formal and informal letters. Your child could use their spellings to help them write a formal letter.

They might want to write a letter:

- about the issues we have been learning about in school (litter and plastic waste)
- to/from a character from their favourite book
- to Miss Smith and Miss Callaby for us to reply to

Please also keep practising reading at home. 😊

If you wanted to practise spelling with your child, we have attached the national word list for Year 3 and 4.

Next term

After Easter, our topic will be Ancient Egypt. Your child might want to start seeing what they can find out about Ancient Egyptian life. For example: Can you find out what Canopic Jars are? Do you know which river flows through Egypt? What is an Ancient Egyptian Mummy?

Thank you very much.

Take care,

Miss Callaby and Miss Smith