

Maths

We will be revisiting addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

We will learn about fractions of a quantity and begin to look at equivalent fractions.

We will continue to count up in 3, 4 and 8s. Any help with practising this at home would be welcomed. We will look at how to write numbers as numerals and words.

We will start to look at telling the time. If you could help your child learn the difference between am and pm and tell the time both on digital and analogue clocks. Please learn times tables and division facts at home.



'Charming Cheltenham'

Year 3 Spring 2017



General Information

Homework will be given out on a Thursday, to be given in the following Tuesday.

This will be alternate weeks of English and Maths homework.

Spellings- Children will be taught a spelling rule on Mondays and will be expected to investigate it and collect words for classroom display. The spelling rule will be assessed through dictation the following Monday.

Reading books will be changed every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Children need to hand in their book to be changed. Please continue to read regularly with them, at least three times a week.

In Year 3, children will be expected to hand in their diaries if there is a note. We will not collect them in every day.

Miss Perkins and Miss Swan

English

We are beginning the term by studying a wishing tale based on 'The Emperor's new clothes' before writing our own wishing tales set in Cheltenham. Following this we will learn about writing instructions in the form of recipes.

After half term, we will be completing a unit of work that focuses on creating settings. Then we will be working on writing letters.

Children will read regularly in class and are expected to answer questions on the text.

SPAG lessons will continue throughout the term and form part of our English lessons.

Dates for your diary

First day back- 5th Jan

Fir class assembly- 1st Feb

End of term 3- 10th Feb

Start of term 4- 20th Feb

Parents consultations- 21st/23rd

Feb

STEM week – 27th Feb

Dance festival- 7th March

(Helpers needed for coach journey AM only)

Pine class assembly- 29th March

End of term 4- 6th April

Art/DI

We will be studying Lowry and his work. The children will then make their own paintings in the style of Lowry. After half term, we will look at cooking in more detail as we design and make bread.

PE/Games

On Wednesdays, we will be working on our dance ready for the dance festival! On Mondays, we will be working on our tennis skills. Please ensure children have named all weather PE kit for these days.

Computing

We are continuing to learn about programming using the website rainforestcoding.co.uk. Children will be able to log on and play an adventure which gives them an introduction to computer programming and debugging.

History/Geography

As our topic suggests, we will be looking at the history and geography of Cheltenham. Children will discuss what Cheltenham used to look like and what made it a spa town. Then we will look at the geography of Cheltenham and the surrounding area, studying maps to look at the similarities and differences of the surrounding area.

Science

Our question for the first term is 'Are you attractive enough?' which is a topic all about magnets and how they work.

After half term, we will then investigate 'How did that blossom become an apple?' which is all about the life cycle of a plant and bees!

PSHE

We will be discussing our feelings and emotions. We will introduce our feelings ladder in the classroom to encourage children to express how they feel.

RE

After half term in RE, children will discuss the question 'What do Christians believe God is like and how does believing in God influence people's lives?'