



# Earth Class

## Summer Term One

Welcome back, we hope you have had a lovely Easter holiday. We will be learning all about the Vikings in our topic this term. We also have a busy term with a trip to Derby museum and scone making for VE day. As always, we will be regularly reading and changing books in school.

*Please remember to send your child with their reading journal and books every day.*

### English

We will be spending time on non-fiction writing this term and the different skills involved. We will be writing non-chronological reports on dragons, which I think the children will love!

Spelling tests will continue to be on Friday mornings. The children will have opportunity to learn and practice these spellings in class and will have homework linking to this too.



### Maths

In Maths, we are completing our 'Mass and Capacity' unit. Then we will move on to learning about fractions, time and money. The children will have some maths homework every Monday that will link to their prior learning in Year 3.

### Science

In Science, our unit will be all about plants. We will learn about the functions of different parts of the plant, explore the requirements for plant growth, learn about how water moves through a plant and finally we will look at the lifecycle of a plant.

### History

Our History topic for this half term is Vikings. We learn about the invasion of the Vikings in Britain, Resistance by Alfred the Great and Athelstan, first king of England, Danegeld, Anglo-Saxons laws and justice and Edward the Confessor and 1066. This will be supported by our trip to Derby Museum.



### Art & Design

This term we will be designing and making a scone to celebrate VE day. We will spend a morning designing the scone and then will have the opportunity to make one.



## Music

Throughout Year 3, the children will be learning a brass instrument with a specialist teacher. This will be on a Tuesday afternoon.

## P.E.

PE will be on a Thursday afternoon with Mr Singh and a Friday morning with Mr Read. This half term, the children will be learning skills for tag-rugby and cricket. The children are welcome to bring a P.E. kit and leave it on their pegs and take home as required for washing.



## Homework

Year 3 will have maths homework and spellings. Homework will go out on a Monday afternoon and be collected in on a Monday morning. Please keep the spellings sheet with the words on to practise them at home. Please come and see us if there are any issues or struggles around homework, we want it to be a helpful addition to learning, not something too challenging or stressful for the weekend!

The children will have their books swapped on a Monday morning. If they need to swap again in the week, they are more than welcome.

## Playtime

The children are welcome to bring a snack for their break times. We aim for this to be a healthy snack and for the children to have something filling at their morning break.

## Teaching Timetable

Monday – Wednesday Mrs Porter will be teaching in Year 3.

Thursday – Friday will be Mr Read teaching in Year 3.

## Key days

Monday – Book Swap and Homework in

Tuesday – Brass instruments

Thursday AND Friday – PE kits

If you have any questions, please come and see Mrs Porter or Mr Read at drop off or pick up. If this is not convenient, please contact Mrs Carter at the office and she will happily pass on any messages.

Mrs Porter and Mr Read