

YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER—SPRING 1

Journeying together with God



Welcome back after the Christmas holiday! We hope you all had a lovely time with loved ones and are ready to begin 2024. We continue to have lots of exciting learning taking place and our big question is: **Why is Metal Marvelous?** We also have a trip to the Sikh Gurdwara as part of our Religious Education topic on Sikhism.

Please be aware for that our new PE days are Monday and Friday.



THEME AND BIG QUESTION

Metal and Forces

Why is metal marvelous?



OUR CHRISTIAN VALUE THIS HALF TERM IS...

PEACE



KEY DATES



- Science Day - Friday 2nd February
- Family Breakfast – Monday 5th February 8:30 am
- Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 6th February
- Trip to the Sikh Gurdwara – Thursday 9th February
- Local Charity Day - Friday 9th February
- Break up for February half term - Friday 10th February

NOTICES

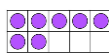
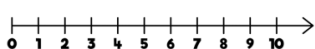


Please remember to bring your child's book bag to school **every day** and check inside for new books and notices. Please ensure that PE kits are brought in for PE days, and that they are labelled with your child's name. Remember to label all items of uniform too! **Please can all children bring their water bottles with them every day filled with water only.**

MATHS



- We will continue to be using White Rose Maths planning for our learning. Our focus this half term will be **multiplication and division part B, and length and perimeter**. The children will be doing lots of practical learning using various measuring equipment.
- The children will also be introduced to how multiplication and division are related, as well as beginning to divide a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number.
- We will be looking at equivalent lengths and comparing lengths, as well as beginning to add measurements.



ENGLISH



- The children will focus on spelling words which include prefixes, suffixes and homophones.
- They will continue to learn the Year 3 common exception words and use these in their writing.
- The children will continue with whole class reading focusing on their comprehension skills.
- Extra phonics support will continue to be delivered to children who still need it.
- We will be reading 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. This will be our focus text for both writing and reading. We will use this book to develop the children's punctuation and grammar including inverted commas, maintaining the correct tense, paragraphs and conjunctions.
- We will begin to create settings, characters and plot within narratives using The Iron Man as our stimulus.
- We will continue to focus on letter formation and handwriting every time we write. **a b c**



Nurture



Discover



Respect

YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER—SPRING 1

Journeying together with God



SCIENCE



- We will be learning about forces - pushes and pulls.
- That friction is a force that acts between two surfaces or objects that are moving (or trying to move) across each other.
- That magnets exert attractive and repulsive forces on each other.
- Magnets exert non-contact forces, which work through some materials.
- Magnets exert attractive forces on some materials which are affected by magnet strength, object mass, distance from object and object material.

PSHE

Mental health and emotional wellbeing strengths and challenges

- Learn about celebrating achievements and setting personal goals.
- Learn about dealing with put-downs.
- Know and use positive ways to deal with setbacks.



PE

3HG and 3BD - Monday and Friday

- There will be two PE lessons per week so please ensure PE kits are worn for those days and are fully named including trainers.
- This half term we will be focusing on Basketball and Boccia.



HOME LEARNING

- Please read as much as possible with your child. Try and aim to read with your child daily for at least 10 minutes and make a short note in their reading diary.
- It is also important that you read to your child as much as possible too!
- Check out our new home learning and pick out some tasks to complete.
- There will be a balance of English, maths and theme work including tasks on Purple Mash.
- Please still go onto TTRS and Spelling Shed and play the different games.



RE



Sikhism: What does it mean to be a Sikh in Britain today?

- Teachings of the Gurus and what it means to Sikhs today.
- Understand the role of the Gurdwara.
- Describe a Sikh festival and why it is important in the life of Sikhs today.
- Visit a Sikh Gurdwara.

ART / DT



The children will be looking at sculpture and 3D abstract art. They will be creating abstract sculptures and focusing on the artist Sir Anthony Caro.



GEOGRAPHY

Local Study of Bramley

- Where is Bramley in the world?
- Local walk around Bramley.
- What has changed in Bramley over the last 100 years?
- How do we think Bramley will change in the future?



COMMUNICATION



- Please ensure you check Seesaw regularly. Your existing username and password will work but we can re issue this if needed.
- Also, don't forget to visit [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and our class webpage for further information.



Nurture



Discover



Respect