

Year 3 Newsletter

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Welcome

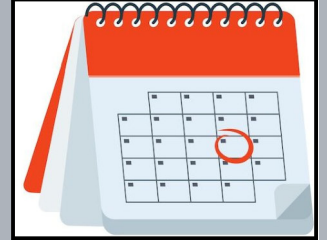
We hope you have had a restful break over the Christmas period. We are excited to have the children back in class and prepared for another fantastic term of learning.

The children made an excellent start to the year 3 routines last term, and we are keen to continue their successes. This half term, the children will delve deeper into the curriculum outlined in this letter.

The Year 3 Team



Important Dates

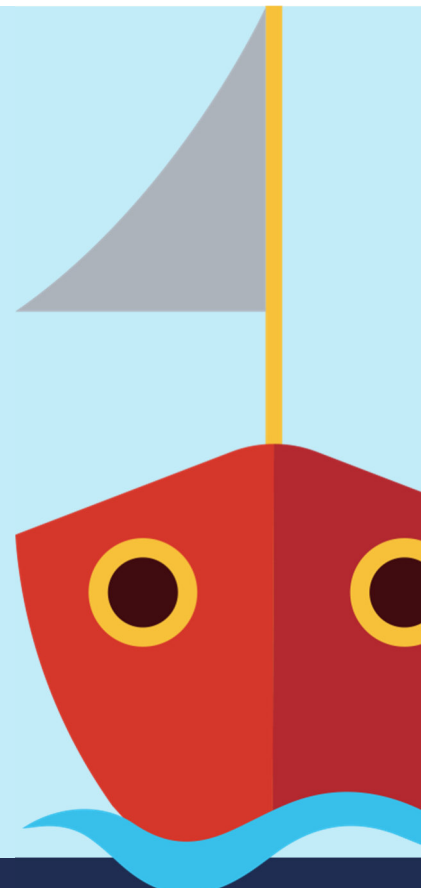
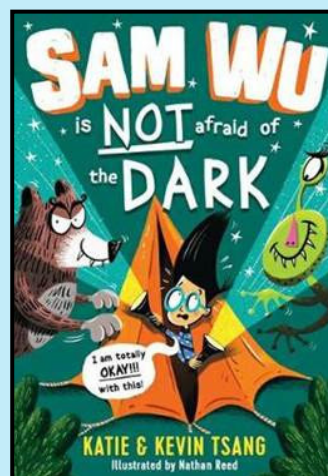


- 5th and 6th February - Parents' Evenings
- 14th February - Last day of term

English

In writing this half term, year 3 will be learning how to write narratives using dialogue. They will be critically analysing a model text, to allow themselves to aspire to write dialogue with correct punctuation and grammar. From here, the children will also look at poetry on a theme, where they will identify poetic devices and be able to explain the purpose of these effectively.

In reading, the children will be starting a new book called '*Sam Wu is Not Afraid of the Dark*'. The children will read the text through lessons, as well as use their comprehension and inference skills to identify meanings, and use the text to find answers. The children have shown a real skill and love for reading, so we hope to continue this passion with this book.



More information can be found online at www.raleighinfant.co.uk

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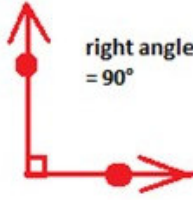
obtuse angle
 $90^\circ < v < 180^\circ$



acute angle
< 90°



right angle
= 90°



Maths

In Maths this half term, year 3 will be learning about right angles and how to identify them in shapes. Children will take an investigative approach to working with and identifying angles. Children will also be learning many mental strategies for solving calculations, as well as manipulating the additive relationship. This will build on the secure number knowledge that the children have learnt in the previous academic term.

Times tables

Fluency



This term in Year 3 mathematics, we will explore right angles and mental calculation strategies. However, our primary focus will be on multiplication tables. We aim to enhance the children's ability to quickly recall multiplication facts and their corresponding division facts, which will help solidify their understanding of multiplication problems.

In Year 3, we will focus on building fluency in the 2s, 4s, and 8s times tables. Students will learn various strategies for solving multiplication problems, and we will engage in regular verbal practice to help them recall answers, even when asked in a random order. To further enhance their fluency, children are encouraged to practice regularly at home using Times Tables Rock Stars and completing homework.

Science



In Science this half term the children will be learning all about the different cycles of nature. The children will explore cycles such as the growth of a plant, the water cycle, and the reproduction of a frog.

Children will begin to investigate and identify the importance of features in life cycles and how these impact the everyday life of our planet. Children will use their scientific knowledge to support this learning.

Other Subjects



In History, the children will be learning about the Anglo-Saxons and the path that led them to England. In Geography, we will be looking at rivers, with a focus on famous rivers around the world. In Art, the children will be looking at Ancient Egypt.



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