

Year 3 Newsletter

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Raleigh Infant and Admirals Academies

Welcome

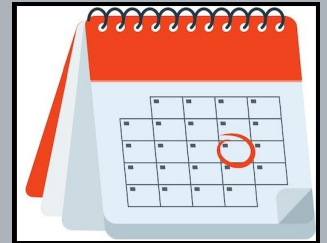
We hope you have enjoyed a restful and relaxing break. We are very excited to welcome the Year 3 children back for another term of fun-filled learning.

The children have already shown fantastic progress in developing new skills and applying them in their work. We look forward to building on this even further throughout the term ahead.

The Year 3 Team



Important Dates



5/3/26—World Book Day (dress up/wear pyjamas)

WC. 9/3/26—Assessment Week

10/3/26—Parents' Evening 1

11/3/26—Parents' Evening 2

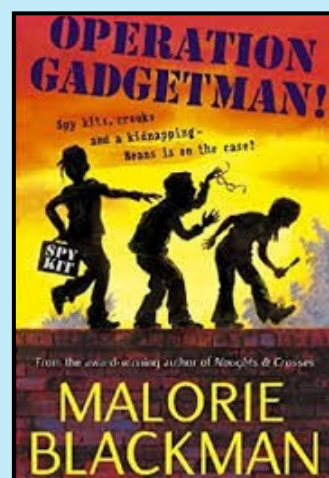
12/3/26—Frisbee virtual competition (PE kits)

23/3/26—Pinocchio Pantomime performance

English

In English this term, we will be exploring **poetic devices** and using them to help the children write and perform their own poetry. We will also be building on their **first-person narrative writing**, including learning how to add **direct speech** to bring characters' voices to life.

In reading, the children will be starting a new book called '**Operation Gadgetman**' where we look at the odd creations of a character who is seemingly kidnapped! Within these lessons, the children will be developing their justification and inference skills to ensure we understand the context of texts that we are reading.



Science



In Science this half term, the children will be learning all about the life-cycle of plants and how they impact on our planet.

Children will be investigating plants through science experiments and watching how different variables can affect the growth of plants.

We will also explore how different types of plants can survive in a variety of environments and observing what these can look like.

French



In French this half term, the children will be learning phrases and vocabulary on how to work together and ask questions to support this. The children have shown a real passion and enthusiasm for French and we wish to continue this love of learning.



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Maths

In Maths this half term, year 3 will be looking at our 2, 4, and 8 multiplication tables, by learning strategies on how to solve questions, as well as building fluency and pace. We will also be practising our time skills, building on their knowledge from Year 2 on how to tell and write the time from an analogue clock, including using Roman numerals, and will estimate and read time to the nearest minute.

Times tables

Fluency



This term in Year 3 mathematics, we will explore the 2, 4 and 8 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. This was our primary focus last half-term and we wish to continue this progress.

Life Skills



In PSHE this term, we will be exploring a range of important topics to support the children's wellbeing and safety. These include the benefits of regular exercise, understanding food labelling and making healthy swaps, and developing sensible attitudes towards drugs. We will also focus on keeping safe both online and offline, showing respect for ourselves and others, making safe choices outdoors, learning about water safety, and knowing how and when to ask for help.

