

# Curriculum News

## Class 3/4W - Spring 2023



### Reminders

- PE is every Tuesday for Y3. Please can children bring a pair of trainers to remain in school for PE.
- Y4 swimming is Fridays.
- Reading books and records should be in school every day. We ask that children please read with an adult at least three times a week.
- Spellings will go out on a Monday to be practised for a test on Friday.
- Homework will go out on a Thursday. This will be on the school website or given as a paper copy.
- Children can also complete some extra work on Reading Plus and Lexia for extra team points!
- Children are welcome to complete homework on a Monday breaktime should they have difficulty accessing a device at home.

### Animals (and Plants!) Burps, Bottoms and Bile!

#### Our science topics for this term

This term, Y3 will be classifying animals using their characteristics and looking at parts of the plant and why they are important. We will work scientifically to investigate the right conditions to allow plants to grow.

This term, Y4 children will be learning about the digestive system. We will focus on teeth functions and the importance of keeping them clean. We do some very messy experiments this term, including making 'poo'!

History in Y4 considers the key question, 'Why did the Romans march through County Durham?' Y3 pupils are learning about the Ancient Egyptians.

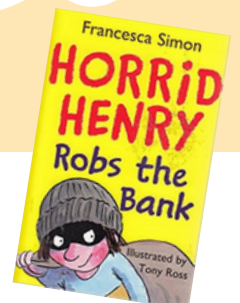
### Our class reader

In English lessons, Mrs. Smith's group are reading the book, 'There's A Pharaoh In Our Bath!' while Miss. Wilkinson's are reading 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe'. The class read a different text at the end of the day as a class reader.

*Horrid Henry needed money. Lots and lots of money. His parents didn't need money, and yet they had loads more than he did. It was so unfair!*

The class are enjoying listening to this particular instalment in the series, as Horrid Henry forms another dastardly plan!

*This term, we are reading 'Horrid Henry Robs The Bank' by Francesca Simon.*



## PSHCE

This term, we will be exploring relationships and how to form positive relationships with others like their peers and teachers. Pupils will learn about what makes them unique and be encouraged to accept everybody's differences showing kindness and respect. They will begin to look at ways they can communicate their own thoughts and emotions in a healthy way.



## Best bits of Year 4!

*"I love to swim!"* Ashar A.

*"The devious Snow Queen!"* Kai R.

*"I'm proud of myself for moving up a reading level."* Sienna F

*"I can finally do bus stop method!"* Tyler

Article 32 | Children have the right to be protected from harmful content.

## Best bits of Year 3!

*"Our maths has been really fun this term!"* Anya L.

*"I'm enjoying history because we are learning interesting facts about Ancient Egypt."* Jessica S.

*"I like PE because we are doing some things that I've never done before!"* Peter S.



## Maths

Mrs. Smith's group have been working on written methods for multiplication and division. They are now learning about length and other types of measurement.

Miss. Wilkinson's group have been reading information from charts and graphs, and will be learning about fractions too!

Article 14 | Children have the right to choose their own religion and beliefs.

## Foundation lessons

- We are learning more about French phonics and developing our writing skills.
- RE this term is all about Christianity.
- In Music, we have been learning the song 'Three Little Birds'.
- Our DT topic is levers. Children are creating and producing pop-up books based on their history work.
- PE lessons will be focused on gymnastics skills.

## TT Rockstars

Thursday 23rd March @2.30pm - Year 4 parent information meeting about the National Multiplication Check.

Please come and find out what the expectations are for your child and how you might help them prepare.

A huge well done to Kyle and Leah in 3/4W who are consistently scoring over 18 out of 25 on TT Rockstars!