



Promoting Progress

# Beechwood Junior School/ Spring Term



# YEAR 3

Your Year 3 Team are:

3T - Mr Trace

3R - Miss Robertson

3G- Miss Gray

Mrs Weet and Mrs Neill- Higher Learning Teaching Assistants.

## **BEECHWOOD VISION**

At our school we believe in the importance of equipping children with the skills and experiences necessary to prepare them for an ever-changing world and an unknown future. We want to ensure they have the learning attributes that are transferable to a range of situations and contexts. In particular, we believe in the importance of communication in underpinning all social interaction so that pupils can learn from others, express their own views honestly and accurately and be socially fulfilled individuals. Every child will be given the opportunities to learn effective communication skills for use in a variety of social and technological contexts. We also believe in having respect for ourselves, each other and our community including the environment we live in, ensuring all pupils have the skills, confidence and attitudes to become responsible citizens.

Every child will accept and embrace differences by learning from each other. They will respect the views of others and have the confidence to communicate their own ideas and opinions. While they are at Beechwood, the children will develop their roles as active citizens in the world around them, taking responsibility for their learning through a resilient attitude. We will ensure that every child will be given the pastoral support and nurture that they need. They will be encouraged to accept and learn from their mistakes with the understanding that learning is hard.

No child will be left out based on race, age, nationality, gender, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or disability. Neither will they leave our school without the essential knowledge, skills and understanding needed in our ever changing technological world.

The curriculum in our school will allow every child to maximise their full potential and be inspired to become life-long learners. It will promote creativity and independence and it will instil in them a love of learning.

Just to let you know of forthcoming events and trips in year 3 to help you plan your diary and know of any upcoming costs.

4<sup>th</sup> Monday:

One World Week. Children will learn all about New Zealand and Australia.

21<sup>st</sup> January - Art Exhibition from 2:30pm. An opportunity to view your child's art work from One World Week.

25<sup>th</sup> January 2016:

Open week. Please come in and spend some time in your child's class to see exactly what they are learning in Year 3.

1<sup>st</sup> February - INSET day

4<sup>th</sup> February 2016:

Trip to Victoria Country Park to help with our learning about Queen Victoria. This will have an approximate cost of £10.

22<sup>nd</sup> February:

Attendance and punctuality week. Daily competitions to earn free toast.

March: tbc

Trip to Bursledon Brick Works to experience life as a working Victorian. This will have an approximate cost of £10.

10<sup>th</sup> March - Reports go home. There is a meeting to discuss the new report format and the new curriculum's impact upon this on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 9am and 5.30pm.

14<sup>th</sup> March - INSET day

16<sup>th</sup> March:

Parent Consultations 1.30-7pm. Come and meet your child's teacher and discuss their learning and progress.

24<sup>th</sup> March:

3R's class assembly, 9:00am. We hope you can come along and find out about what we have been learning about.

Finally, if you would like to come in and read with us, or support Year 3 events please let Mr Trace, Miss Robertson or Miss Gray know.

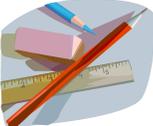
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We are looking forward to a very exciting year, and working closely with you and your children. Thank you in advance for all your support.

We hoped that you enjoyed your end of term break. We have a very busy term planned.

| SUBJECT   | WHAT WE WILL BE STUDYING FOR SPRING 1:   |
|-----------|--|
| TOPIC     | The Victorians: Queen Victoria   |
| ENGLISH   | Narrative<br>Adverts<br>Recounts   |
| MATHS     | 4 operations<br>Shape<br>  |
| Computing | E-safety   |
| ART       | Drawing and Sketching<br> |
| PE        | Gym  |
| GAMES     | Multi-skills<br>         |
| RE        | Changing Emotions  |
| MUSIC     | SoundBite  |
| PSHE      | Developing a healthier lifestyle   |

| SUBJECT        | WHAT WE WILL BE STUDYING FOR SPRING 2  |
|----------------|--|
| TOPIC          | The Victorians: Rich and Poor  |
| ENGLISH        | Letters<br>Leaflets<br>Narrative   |
| MATHS          | Fractions<br>Measuring<br> |
| SCIENCE        | Plants<br>                 |
| ICT            | Online communication- email.   |
| ART AND DESIGN | Artists from around the world.   |
| PE             | Skipping   |
| GAMES          | Games- ball skills<br>   |
| RE             | Good and Evil  |
| MUSIC          | SoundBite  |
| PSHE           | Developing good relationships and respecting the differences between people.                                 |

## REMINDERS:

Indoor PE kit consists of a plain coloured t-shirt. This may be their house colour or must be plain red or white. We do not allow, under any circumstances, football shirts or t-shirts that have large logos on them.

Please ensure that your child does not wear any jewellery to school on the days they have PE as it is a health and safety issue. The only jewellery they are allowed to wear to school at any time are stud earrings, a watch, a flat signet ring or a health warning bracelet. Any other jewellery will be stored in the office and you will be asked to pick it up.

PE is part of the National Curriculum and it is very important that your child takes part regularly. If you do wish them to not take part you must send a note into your child's teacher clearly stating the reason why you wish them to miss their PE or Games lesson. If we do not have a letter they will be expected to take part.

PE is on a **Thursday**

Games is on a **Tuesday**

## HOMEWORK

Homework is **always** given out on a Wednesday and is due back in the following Tuesday. Please try to spend some time with your child and ask them to explain to you what they have to do, but it should be clearly written in your child's Homework Diary. Please take time to complete the Homework Diary as this is a good way of communicating with your child's class teacher. If your child loses their Homework Diary there will be a charge of £2.00 to replace it.

If you have any problems and would like to speak to any of us please call into the school office or phone the school on 023 80227692 and we will get back to you as soon as we can.



## Beechwood e-safety rules

*Within school all pupils use a range of ICT equipment, including cameras, computers and accessing the internet as an essential tool to enhance learning. As a pupil of Beechwood Junior School the expectation is that both pupils and their parents/carers agree to the e-Safety Rules as stated below. Please ensure that you share these with your child so they are understood.*

- If I need to bring in a mobile phone for safety reasons, I will take it straight to reception in the morning and collect it after school.
- I will not bring any USB sticks or memory devices into school and use them without permission.
- I will always use my own log in details to access my files and keep my password a secret.
- I will tell a teacher straight away if I see anything on the internet I am not happy with or if I receive a message I am not happy with.
- I will only use internet sites my teacher approves.
- I will not use internet chat rooms or give away any personal information over the internet.
- I will send emails only to people I know, or who my teacher has approved. All messages I send will be polite and considerate.
- I understand that the school can check my files and the internet sites I visit and any irresponsible use may result in loss of network or internet access.

Any questions please contact Mr Trace our Computing Leader.

