



# Year 3 Newsletter

Autumn 2  
2020

Welcome back! We hope you all had a great half-term holiday. Your children have been working hard and have enjoyed their new experiences in Year 3 such as Music lessons and Art lessons. We have lots of interesting and exciting learning experiences prepared for them in the next seven weeks! On the back of this letter please find our 'Choice Challenge' homework for Autumn 2. Your child should complete at least three of them in the half term. They can be recorded in the red homework book or uploaded to their Google Classroom. Thank you!

## Literacy



In Literacy we will begin with 'Stories with a familiar setting' using the book, Tales of Wisdom and Wonder by Hugh Lupton. Children will learn to review the main characters, plot and setting of different stories. Children will focus on using a variety of sentences in their writing e.g. compound and complex sentences. Finally the children will write their story with a clear description of a setting. Later on in the term our focus will be on writing a myth and a legend and we will finish with shape poetry and calligrams. Later on in the term our focus will be on writing a myth and a legend and we will finish with shape poetry and calligrams.

## Science

This half term children will be learning about Forces and Magnets. In this unit the children will be learning about different forces and why magnets attract and repel with reasoning. Children will make predictions, collect evidence, plan a fair test and make and record measurements. They will use their results to make comparisons, draw and explain conclusions

## Computing



Sequence and animation. Children will use Espresso Coding to continue to develop their coding skills. They will learn to make things happen in a sequence, creating simple animations and simulations.

## Art

The children will be looking at paintings by Henri Rousseau and creating artwork based on these. Visit <http://artsmarts4kids.blogspot.com/2008/02/henri-rousseau.html>

## Maths

We will be beginning the term with place value before we move onto fractions. We will also be covering measurement, where the focus will be on measuring length, capacity and mass. All Maths is taught with a focus on problem-solving and reasoning and children being able to explain their understanding of methods. Problem solving skills are taught explicitly on Fridays. Children should continue to learn and practise their times tables as each term children's knowledge will be tested on:



<http://www.knowyourpupils.com/Home>  
School code: 3043605 Username: Teacher  
Password: Wembley12

## Geography

This half term children in year three will be learning about early settlers in Britain during Geography lessons. They will be identifying geographical features that settlers would have looked for in order to survive. They will be learning to identify the differences and compare the landscapes from then and now.

## Music

Year 3 will continue singing and learning the recorder, whilst learning about pitch, rhythm and pulse.

## PSHE

This half term we will be learning about accepting differences, from understanding that every family is different to understanding that each child is different. We will be learning about tolerance, acceptance and kindness including bullying.

## PE

Pupils are enjoying their sessions with Mr. Thomas our PE coach. They will be continuing to learn about the importance of exercise for good health whilst learning about social skills through games and movement.

Although there is not a parents evening this half term, there is a Parent Consultation on Monday 2nd november. Please check your child's book bag for your appointment slip. If you wish to discuss your child's learning in more detail, please email us on: [learning@wembleyprimary.brent.sch.uk](mailto:learning@wembleyprimary.brent.sch.uk) Thank you

Ms Benjamin 3W

Mrs Amoni 3P

Miss Fenech 3S

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# Year 3 Topic Home Learning Autumn 2

## Maths

This term we are learning about measuring in mm, cm and m. Measure the heights of all your family and record your measurements using a drawing, table or another idea you can think of.

**Can you place them in order of height?  
Can you find the difference in height between different family members?**



## Forces

Explore the effect of friction caused by different surfaces inside and outside your home by moving a toy car along them (e.g. carpet, lino, wood, concrete).

**Which surface will allow the car to go fastest?  
Which one slowest?**

You could record your results using a table or chart, take photos or draw your equipment.



## Music

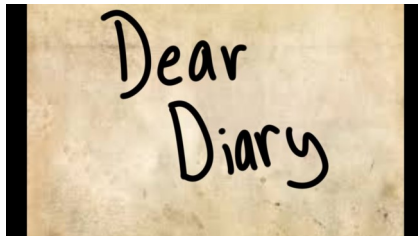
**Listen to reggae, 2 Tone, ska!**

Bob Marley, Jimmy Cliff, The Specials, The Skatalites or Toots and the Maytals are good starting points. Describe what you can hear and how it makes you feel. Dance and sing! Show pictures and share information about influential Caribbean and Black British artists, and British bands that were influenced by Caribbean sounds. What's your favourite song?



## Kindness Diary

This half term it is Anti-Bullying Week. Keep a diary for a week and write about all the kind, caring things you have done for your friends and family this week!



## Discover early settlers

Think about why people first came to Wembley. What can you find out about the Wembley area? Create a persuasive poster to attract visitors to the area.



## Design a book cover

Have you read good book recently? Create your own colourful, eye-catching version of a book cover. Make sure you include the author, illustrator and title of the book. You need to write a blurb to attract your readers to the book.



## Compulsory Homework

Each Wednesday your child will be given spellings, which they need to learn for a test the following Wednesday. Please support your child with this by testing them and helping them to practice. It is important that you listen to your child read every day and sign their reading record. Also please practise times tables with your child to help them become fluent. They are expected to know 2x,3x,4x,5x and 8x by the end of year 3.