



Dowson Primary Academy

Year 3's Classroom News

What will we be learning?

Learning Heroes

At the start of Autumn 1, Year 3 will be exploring the importance of learning muscles. These are skills that the children will need to become successful learners. For example, perseverance, noticing, empathy and managing distractions. The children will have the opportunity to practise using these "muscles" and identify which ones they use in a variety of situations. We have been matching these muscles to Disney characters which will become our class learning heroes. In addition to this, we will also be looking at real life



Exhibition Day

Towards the end of Autumn 1, the children will be preparing for an Exhibition Day which we hope you will be able to attend (more details to follow). This year, each year group will focus on a copy of a 'Power of Reading' book. The books that have been selected reflect our overarching theme of 'We Can Change The World' and our aim is to develop children's learning alongside their citizenship. Year 3 will be exploring the text 'Moon Man'. This is a book about a person that lives on the moon who dreams of what life is like on planet earth. However, when he gets there, he realises it is not as wonderful as it seems.

Magic and Wonder

In Autumn 2, the children will be learning about magic and wonder. As you can probably gather, it is a topic that they are already looking forward to!

The story of the BFG will be our inspiration for this topic. The children will be creating their own version of this magical story. Alongside this, we will be looking at the wonder of nature and learning how plants grow. Finally, we will be researching the wonders of the world and linking this in with geography.



What is happening in school?

Dates for the Diary:



- Come Read With Me- Week commencing the 18th September
Year 3's session is on Wednesday 20th September from 2.15-3.15pm
- Exhibition Day—26th October
- Parent consultation days—13th/14th November
- Individual photographs—20th October
- School open day for prospective new parents—16th October/20th November
- Christmas Production 11th December PM/ 12th December AM / 13th December AM

Reminders

- Year 3 PE session will be Wednesday.
- Homework is set on a Friday. If it is a learning log, you will be given two weeks to complete it. If it is a maths or English based activity, you will be given one week. This information will always be stated at the top of the homework sheet.
- Challenge Cards will be tested on several days. Please help your child to learn their challenge card so that they can move onto the next challenge.
- We encourage Year 3 children to independently change their home reader. Please help your child to read everyday at home.