



St Philip Westbrook News

Year 3 Newsletter: Friday 12th January 2018

Spring 1

Homework needs to be handed in on a Thursday.

Read 3 times a week.

Toast money should be handed in each Monday in an envelope with your child's name.

Our Learning

This half term, our learning will focus on working together. In everything that we do this half term, we will think about how to work as part of a team, to communicate, to problem solve, to help and support each other and how to challenge each other.

In history, we will learn about the Ancient Egyptians, looking at where Egypt is, how they lived, what they believed, and how some came to be found inside pyramids.

Our science topic is forces and magnets. We will learn what makes things move and stop, and how we can slow the action of gravity down to make the best marble run. We are also going to look at magnets and which materials they attract.

We will design investigations to find out which magnet is the strongest, and which metals are attracted to magnets.

We will use the music of Bob Marley to help us learn about rhythm and use the glockenspiels to compose and perform our own music.

We will continue to focus on calculation in maths. We will learn to use written methods to multiply $TU \times U$ and divide TU by U . We will practise these throughout the half term, and recap addition and subtraction, and then solve word problems using all four operations.

We will focus on narrative writing in English lessons. We will look at the features of stories, in particular speech, and how it can be used to develop characters and a plot. We will learn to use inverted commas to punctuate spoken words in our writing.

PE

Bollywood— Children will continue to develop their dance skills, and develop a knowledge and understanding of this style of dance. They will work together to organise a sequence of movements and perform these to music. .

Softball— This game will be new to most of our children, but bulids on many skills which they have already learnt. They will develop their throwing and catching skills to strike a ball with a bat and bowl to an opposing team.



Health Week:

We are looking forward to this in Year 3. We are going to look at making a healthy hummus that tastes good. How many different tastes will we come up with?

We are going to think about what our bodies need to be healthy, and examine how much sugar is in each of our favourite cereals. We hope to learn to make healthy choices.

Remember to bring a water bottle to school each day.

