



St Philip Westbrook News

Year 3 Newsletter: Friday 16th June 2017

Summer 2

Homework needs to be handed in on a Thursday.

Please remember to read 3 times a week.

Now the sun is here, please bring a water bottle and a hat into school every day.

Our Learning

To end the year, we are learning about the prehistoric era and dinosaurs. A lot of the children were very excited to learn about dinosaurs, so we are using this to stimulate ideas for writing. The children will research different dinosaurs in reading times, write reports about their favourite dinosaurs and plan and write exciting dinosaur adventure stories.

The children were also keen to find out more about Spain, as José, our Spanish teacher, has been sharing some information about his home in Spain. We plan to make a Spanish breakfast later in the half term and look at a range of Spanish artists.

We will compare their work and attempt to copy their styles.

Our Geography will also focus on Spain and neighbouring countries. We will use an atlas to find capital cities of European countries and use geographical words to describe Spanish towns and cities.

In Maths we will be learning about money, shape and lines. Make sure that you give children plenty of opportunities to count money and calculate cost and change. Children will learn mathematical terms such as parallel and perpendicular to describe lines.

**Summer Concert:
Thursday 13th July @ 6:30 p.m.**

PE

This half term our PE focus is Outdoor Adventurous Activities (OAA), which includes parachute games, orienteering and many problem solving scenarios. The children always enjoy this topic as they work together to complete challenging tasks before the rest of their class.

In games, the children will play rounders and other bat and ball games.



Science & DT:

We will be entering the marble keep-y-uppy challenge run by CLEAPSS. The children's challenge will be to build a device no higher than 1m tall, which keeps a marble in continuous motion for the longest possible time before it reaches the floor. The two winning Year 3 designs will be submitted to the national competition. Fingers crossed we can make a winning design.

We will be testing times tables each week. Please practise x2, x3, x4, x5, x8, x10 and corresponding division facts.

