

Year 3/4 Newsletter - Autumn 2

Geography & Science

We will continue our topic, Century of Change, moving on to look at how towns and landscapes have developed over time.

Children will compare old and modern maps, identify how land use has changed and consider why these changes have happened.

Key words: **BC/AD, mines, coal, physical features, human feature**

In Science we are learning about **Animals including Humans!**

Grammar

Our English lessons this half term will focus on writing a non-chronological report.

Children will learn how to group information into clear sections, use subheadings and create factual, well-organised paragraphs.

We will explore features such as technical vocabulary, formal tone, diagrams and captions to help present information effectively.

Maths

This half term, children will move on to multiplication and division.

They will explore equal groups, arrays and different strategies for solving calculations with growing independence.

We will continue to develop rapid recall of times tables, focusing especially on 3s, 4s and 8s, while revisiting previous ones to build fluency.

Reading

We continue to celebrate reading and all the wonderful experiences books can bring.

Please encourage your child to read at least three times per week at home. Reading aloud to your child is just as valuable as hearing them read, and helps develop vocabulary, imagination and confidence.

Our reading spine text for this half term is: **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** by Roal Dahl

Other info

Reading at home – We expect the children to read 3 times per week. Reading is so important to allow your child to practice the skills learned at school and further their progress. Please read to your child as well as hear them read.

TTRS - The children have their log in details in the front of their reading journal. We ask that children play TTRS for 10 minutes, 3 times per week.

Spellings – please practise for 10 minutes, 3 times per week.

If you have any issues, please see your child's teacher.