



Class news for Term 4 from Primary 3G/M.

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a lovely holiday. Hopefully we'll get some good weather this term and enjoy lots of outdoor learning.

This term our main **context for learning** will be **Planet Earth**. During this context, we will focus on living things, considering growth and development, food chains, caring for the environment and conservation. We will be using research skills to find out more information about our chosen topics.

In Numeracy, we will be using numbers to 1000. The children will be encouraged to look for patterns and pay close attention to the numbers which cross over 10s or 100s. All pupils should remember to continue practising their tables at home. Later on in the term we will be focusing on practical Maths, such as capacity, length and weight.

In Literacy the emphasis will be on sentence structure, considering punctuation and varying sentence openers. Children will be expected to apply spelling rules they are familiar with when completing written work in class. Children will be encouraged to check their own work for correct punctuation before handing it in. In writing we are starting the term with some character descriptions, thinking about personality descriptions as well as physical. Some children will begin to include paragraphs in their writing.

Pupils are given time during the week for ERIC time and are encouraged to bring in books from home to enjoy during this time.

Homework

Homework tasks vary and will always be fully explained to the pupils when they are given out. Diaries should be signed by an adult and these are checked on a Thursday. Pupils are encouraged to access information from a variety of sources. A number of pupils are enjoying accessing online resources at home and these can be used as an extension to homework if required. I have outlined some useful sites below, as requested by some parents:

Hit the button (mental maths practice)

Espresso education (variety of resources across the curriculum)

BBC Numeracy sites (variety of number skills)

Top Marks (easier level number practice)

code.org (coding skills development)

This term we would hope the children can use the outdoors as much as possible and some of their homework will reflect this.

Have a good final term of p3!

