



Abbey Hey Primary Academy

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Dear Parents

This half term, we will have a history focus learning all about Ancient Greece. Attached to this letter are your child's Knowledge Organisers which contain key facts, vocabulary and information about your child's learning in class. This will enable you to support your child's learning at home.

Our learning:

- Our focus in Reading lessons will be the skill of retrieval, inference and sequencing.
- In Writing, we will be writing a non-chronological report and a narrative based on Aesop's fables.
- In Maths, we will be recapping multiplication and division before moving onto fractions.
- In Science, we will be learning about forces and magnets.
- In history, we will be learning about Ancient Greece.
- In P.E. we will be focussing on games.
- In D.T. we will be learning food technology.

As well as supporting your child's learning, the Knowledge Organisers related to our History, Science and Maths lessons will give an understanding of the focus for each unit. They show the facts that we hope all children should be able to recall and you could use them to 'test' your child's recall of facts and their understanding of the new vocabulary listed.

Homework

Homework will be available on the school website in the form of a Sway. If you cannot access online learning, please let your teacher know and we will provide paper copies.

Homework in Year 3 consists of a few different things:

- Spellings and handwriting are a big focus for us this year and we are lucky to have access to some new online resources which will be set as part of the homework. Log-in details for SpellingShed.co.uk and Letterjoin.co.uk will be available in the front of your child's reading log.
- Times Table Rockstars is a fabulous online program that we use to develop knowledge of times tables and division facts. The children have all been given log-ins to this. It is very repetitive at the beginning while it assesses where each child is and then sets a program for them. It can also become very competitive in school as we set up 'rock battles' between classes. In our experience, short bursts of regular practice are more effective than spending hours once a week.
- Children should be reading at home at least 4 times-per week in preparation for their Accelerated Reader quiz. Developing a love of reading helps in many ways, not just with their work in reading but also in writing and topic lessons. Children will receive dojo's when they have 3 parental comments in their reading record.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to assist you. The easiest way to contact us at the moment is via ClassDojo where we will help you as much as we can.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,
The Year 3 Team