



*"All Learning Together"*

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### Class 3 Curriculum Letter Autumn Term 2018

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a great summer holiday. The children certainly seemed to have enjoyed their break and have come back to school full of enthusiasm and ready to begin the new school year. Outlined below is a summary of the areas of learning that Class 3 will be covering this term.

Our topic for this term is 'Disasters'. During this topic, the children we will be researching the causes and effects of natural disasters. We will be studying the physical geography of different places and trying to explain why some regions are particularly susceptible to natural disasters. We will then look at the impact that they have and we will be writing newspaper reports, on a series of natural disasters, from around the world. We will also explore some natural disaster based poetry and artwork and have a go at creating our own.

In Literacy we will be reading and writing traditional stories, fables, myths and legends. There will also be a focus on grammar based activities in class and I will be sending home a glossary of the terms, that the children should start to become familiar with (if they aren't already) and a list of Year 5/6 spellings.

In Maths the children will hopefully be increasing their understanding of number and place value as it is vital that these skills are embedded so further learning can build upon this knowledge. We will also be trying to improve the children's calculation skills and showing them how they can use the four operations to answer increasingly difficult reasoning problems. We will finish the term off learning about prime numbers before moving on to statistics. They all have password to access MyMaths at home where I will set them activities relating to our topics to help them develop their knowledge. I will also give all the children a copy of their times tables so they can learn them at home and there is also a website called 'Hit the Button' where they can practise their skills.

In Science this term our topic is 'Properties and changes of materials'. Children will be able to compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity and response to magnets. They will be completing some exciting investigations!

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Creates opportunity



Releases potential



Achieves excellence

In Computing we will learn to organise, store, retrieve and manipulate data, recognise the use of IT outside of school and to understand the use of algorithms. Throughout computing lessons, there will be a continued emphasis on internet safety. This is a particularly important issue in modern society and we intend to show the children how they can help keep themselves safe online.

Both Mr Cairns and I will be providing P.E. lessons this term. We will be helping the children improve their skills at tag rugby, football, basketball and athletics. As well as the P.E. lessons we also have lots of school competitions coming up in the not too distant future including football and tag rugby.

**P.E. will be on Wednesday and Friday afternoons; your child will need suitable clothing and shoes for outdoor activities. P.E. kits can be brought in on a Monday and then taken home on Friday if necessary.**

I will be happy to help at any time so if you do have any questions please let me know. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for making me feel so welcome here at Langton School and I look forward to meeting you all (if I haven't already) in the near future.

Kind regards

Mr Dan Walker