



Year 3 Newsletter

Spring 1

Happy New Year and welcome back! We have loved seeing the children back at school this week and enjoyed hearing all about your Christmas and New Year celebrations. We hope everyone is feeling well rested and ready to get cracking with our new topics.

Just a quick reminder, library books are changed on a Tuesday, and PE lessons are on Fridays. During the cold weather, children should all have a named coat and any gloves, hats, scarves etc should also be named. Children need a water bottle in school everyday.

If you have any questions or problems, please speak to a member of the Year 3 team and we will do our best to help.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 13th January:
Pantomime in school

Friday 16th January: Tri-
golf competition in school.

Monday 16th February—
Friday 20th February: Half
Term

Academy Uniform

Good standards of dress and personal presentation help children to feel included, supports the ethos of our school, and promotes a positive attitude to work and behaviour.

Uniform identifies pupils to the local community as proud members of a school with high standards. The cooperation of all parents and carers is crucial in ensuring that children are always in correct uniform, and that they are successful in school.

Information on our school uniform can be found on our website, or please contact the office.

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We know that Politeness is SPENT at Norwich Road Academy.

**Politeness is
SPENT**
Smile
Please
Excuse me
Name
Thank you

The children
and staff follow
this model.

Our Value this half term is **'Motivate'**



Motivate – A Norwich Road Academy Super Learner motivates themselves to do well in class and also helps to motivate others in their own learning. They are encouraging and supportive. Super Learners understand that things may not always be easy and demonstrate resilience in the face of challenge.

This half term we will be focusing on hard work and trying our best. We will be taking responsibility and recognising mistakes. We will be helping others in the classroom and on the playground by showing kindness.

Curriculum Focus

English

Our book this half term is a retelling of William Shakespeare's classic play: A Midsummer Night's Dream. We will be using this to help us create some fantastical settings for portal stories.

Look out for some fairy mischief coming to NRA soon!



Maths

The 3, 4 and 8 times tables will be consolidated and we will be moving on to multiplying and dividing 2 digits by a 1 digit number. Secure times table knowledge will really support your child with this.

Use the place value chart to work out 2×24
Complete the number sentences.

Tens	Ones
20	8
20	8

$2 \times 4 = \square$
 $2 \times 20 = \square$
 $\square + \square = \square$
 $2 \times 24 = \square$

Science

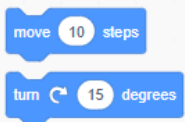
In science we are learning about light. We will learn how light travels, how it is reflected, and about natural and man-made light sources. We will also investigate how

shadows are made and how they change.



Computing

This half term the children will be exploring the new programming environment of Scratch. They will be creating different coding sequences in order to create a 'sprite' that moves and makes different sounds.



Art

In art, children will be learning about still life and form. They will use shading, cross hatching and colour to create their own still life artworks as well as learning about the artist Cezanne.



Life Skills

We will finish our unit on wellbeing by learning about how to build resilience before moving on to the new topic of safety and the changing body. This will cover subjects such as basic first aid and staying safe online. This half term we also celebrate Children's Mental Health Week.

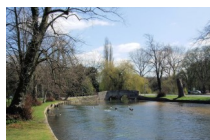
Music

Linking to our history topic, in music we will be learning to sing like Vikings! Children will learn to recognise simple rhythmic notation before composing and performing their own Viking battle song.



Geography

The focus for this half term is rivers. We will be learning about the features of a river and about rivers around the world. This unit will include a trip to the Little Ouse River in Thetford.



History

In history, we are learning about the Anglo Saxons, Scots and Vikings. The children will learn what life was like as an Anglo-Saxon and how Vikings used ships to explore.



For further information on our curriculum please visit our website at: www.norwichroadacademy.co.uk

Further information about Eastern Multi Academy Trust can be found here: www.eastern-mat.co.uk

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