



Year 3 Newsletter

Spring 2

Welcome back for Spring 2! I has been lovely to get outside and enjoy the sunny weather this week. Hopefully there will be many more sunny days to follow! As children are more likely to be taking off jumpers and cardigans, please ensure that these are named so that lost property can be returned. In year 3 we have been thinking about how we can 'Empower' ourselves by being more independent. As we have swimming lessons coming up after Easter, it is very important that children can get themselves changed quickly and independently from their PE kit into their swimming costume, dry themselves, and change back again. Practicing these skills at home would be a great way to set your child up for successful swimming next term.

Dates for your diary

- 6th March—NRA World Book Day
- 16th and 17th March—Parents Evening
- 17th March—KS2 Crafternoon
- 24th March—KS2 Easter Egg Hunt
- 26th March—Spring Sing and raffle

Sharing a worry

Everyone, everyday has a mixture of feelings and thoughts. We 'Empower' the children by encouraging them to talk to an adult at school. Our younger children and older ones can always talk to an adult during play and break times. We also teach the children to either show their feeling on the feeling chart (Nursery / Reception) or to write their name on a blue post it note (Year 1-6). An adult will then speak to them about a worry or a concern.

If as parents you would like to speak to a member of our pastoral team about a worry or concern, please contact the academy office.

To **Empower** ourselves when learning we need good listening we follow SLANT.

Good listening means SLANT

- Sit up
- Lean in and listen
- Ask and answer questions
- Nod your head
- Track the speaker



Our Value this half term is 'Empower'

Empower - A Norwich Road Academy Super Learner empowers others with their learning and empowers themselves to take on new challenges with their learning. They take risks and are not afraid to get things wrong. They grow in confidence and enthusiasm.

This half term we will be focusing on hard work and trying our best. We will try and help ourselves when completing tasks by using a range of resources. Super Learners will be aware of their next learning steps and use feedback to improve their work.

Curriculum Focus

English

This term in English the children are learning how to write non-chronological reports. They will think carefully about how they are written in the present tense, how headings and sub-headings are used and also understanding how to use commas for lists. Our class text this half term is KrindleKrax.

Maths

This half term, we will be doing our first fractions topic (we also revisit fractions in the summer term). We will learn the difference between the numerator and the denominator before learning how to compare fractions and finding equivalent fractions. We then move onto mass and capacity.

Science

In science, we have started our new topic of forces. We learn about gravity, friction and magnetism and how they can change an objects shape, speed or direction. This unit has lots of opportunities for practical investigations so we are very excited for the coming weeks!



French

In French this half term the children are learning how to tell the story of Little Red Riding Hood in French. They will practise speaking and using key words from the story.



DT

In DT this half term the children will be working towards creating a pop-up book. They will look closely at different mechanisms, pivots and levers and think carefully about their design. We can't wait to see their finished product!

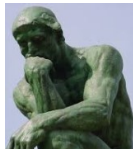
Life Skills

We have started the topic of safety and the changing body. We will learn what to do in an emergency as well as some basic first aid and safety skills. We also look at staying safe online and how to make good choices.



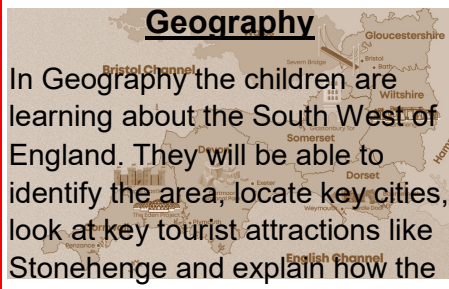
RE

In RE, we are learning about philosophy. Philosophy teaches us how to think about some of life's big questions such as 'how do I make moral decisions?' The children will be considering their own morals and learning about how humanists make good choices.



Geography

In Geography the children are learning about the South West of England. They will be able to identify the area, locate key cities, look at key tourist attractions like Stonehenge and explain how the South West has changed over time.



History

The children are building upon their knowledge of Anglo-Saxons by learning about the Vikings this term. The children will discover how Anglo-Saxons and Vikings lived together, how the country was divided and they will also learn about the Battle of Hastings.

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