## Norwich Road Academy

## Year 3 Summer - Newsletter 2024



## Welcome back and welcome to the Summer Term

Our value this term is to 'Aspire'. We will be thinking about our current learning goals and what we aspire to improve. We will also be thinking about what we aspire to achieve and do in adult life. We will be celebrating this during Aspiration week 'Monday 22nd May, where we will be learning about different jobs and careers.



In Geography we are learning about the countries of Western Europe. The children will be finding out about the capital cities, climate and trade as well as comparing two capital cities.

In History we are learning about how law and power changed during the Middle Ages. We will investigate the difference between trial by ordeal and trial by jury, learn the importance of Magna Carta and find out about the first parliament.



The topics we will cover this half term in maths are fractions (adding and subtracting), money and telling the time.

Don't forget that children who can tell the time will be presented with a free watch from Mrs Miles!



Science-Plants

We will be learning about how plants thrive in different conditions and the process from seed to plant. The children will be growing peas and potatoes and learning about seed dispersal and pollination.

If you grow any plants at home please send photos of them in on class dojo.

Our text this term is 'A Bear called Paddington' by Micheal Bond. The children will be reading part of the text every day and learning new vocabulary to support their writing. The children will be writing a narrative about a journey. They will be using adjectives, conjunctions and inverted commas to develop their writing skills. They will also be learning about the importance of different sentence structures.

A Bear Called Paddington

## Helping your child at home

- -Reading the time to one minute on an analogue clock. Let us know when you can and you will receive your free watch!!
- -Use conjunctions but so because and to link ideas in a sentence.
- -Reading daily—Identifying new vocabulary, predicting what may happen next, reading fluently and answering questions about the text. Children should read daily.
- -TT Rock stars, all children in Y3 should be able to rapidly recall x 2 x 3 x 4 x 5 x 6 x 8 x 10 x 11 table questions

The children will be swimming this term on THURSDAY morning, please provide your child with a named swimsuit, towel and bag. Please wear school uniform on swimming days.

PE will continue on a Monday, but not on Tuesday.

It's extremely important to attend school every day. There are exciting rewards for those that have excellent attendance. Our year 3 attendance target is: 98.5%