

Reminders

PE: Please ensure your child has a full P.E. kit in school. P.E. lessons are on a FRIDAY.

All PE kit, clothing, shoes and any items brought into school must be clearly labelled.

Please remember that all children must wear black shoes as part of our uniform. If your child wears wellies to school they should have a change of shoes for the classroom.

Headscarves should also be only in school colours.

Dates for the half term

Wednesday 15th March - Visit to The Science Museum.
Please look out for a letter about this - we will need a few parent helpers.

Monday 20th March (a.m.) - Parents' Curriculum Assembly

Thursday 23rd March - Parents' Evening.

Friday 31st March - Last day. School finishes at 12.30p.m.
(Children return **Wednesday 19th April 2017**)

Buxton School



Year 3



parent Newsletter

Welcome to the second half of the Spring term. We are now half way through the school year. We hope the children are ready to work hard as our expectations of them are high! This half term our main topic is

How Humans Work.



This is a Science topic in which we will be finding out about our five senses, human teeth compared to animal teeth, our skeleton, muscles and organs, the human life cycle, healthy eating and exercise and what is harmful to the body.

Curriculum

Over this half term, we will be covering the following:

Literacy - work based on 'Ice Palace' by Robert Swindells

Non-chronological report writing - Research and note-taking techniques to collect and record information as report.

Poetry - Kennings and Haiku.

Reading - Gangsta Granny by David Walliams

(Mr.Sugg's and Mr.Sofronie's Literacy groups).

Bill's New Frock by Anne Fine

(Miss Ahmed's and Miss Ashe's Literacy groups).

Spellings - Words with the prefixes *auto* and *super*.

- Spelling strategies such as pyramid words, letter shapes, trace-copy-check, look-say-cover-check-write)

- Homophones

Numeracy

This half term we will be looking at **addition and subtraction** of 3-digit numbers, including money, using the column method.

Statistics including tally charts, pictograms and bar charts.

Multiplication and division with the 2,3,4,5,8 and 10 times tables.

Counting in steps of 50 and 100. **Equivalent fractions** and **measuring** the perimeter of 2D shapes.

Science

We will be looking at our creative curriculum topic 'How Humans Work'

RE : Sikhism - Guru Nanak

Homework

Maths and Literacy homework is given out every **Wednesday** and is to be returned the following **Wednesday** to the children's Literacy and Maths teachers.

Your child is also expected to read daily and this must be recorded in a reading record. Reading records are collected in on Tuesday and Friday.

Reading

We are now teaching reading with a core book for each Literacy class. Each child will have a copy of this book in reading lessons (in their Literacy groups) but we encourage children to have their own copy of the book to read at home.

This half term Mr.Sofronie's and Mr.Sugg's Literacy groups are reading **Gangsta Granny** by **David Walliams** and Miss Ashe's and Miss Ahmed's groups are reading **Bill's New Frock** by **Anne Fine**.

Clubs

A variety of sports, music, drama and language activities are available to Year 3. Keep a look out for letters offering places to Year 3 for various clubs.