



Year 3 - Hedgehog Class Term 1



Mrs Galloway & Mrs Marston

Our Learning for Term 1

Welcome to Hedgehog class. We have been so excited to see you again after the summer and to get to know you better. You will learn and grow so much over the next year and we are really excited to be going on that journey with you.

Each term you will receive a class newsletter telling you about what we will be learning that term and how parents and carers can help children grow and develop at home.

Books are so important in our school and lots of our learning starts with a book and so we will let you know the texts we will be learning from in our writing, in guided reading sessions and our class reading book we will share for enjoyment at the end of the school day.

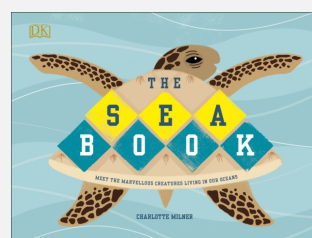
Each term we have a whole school theme which follows our Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE) Jigsaw scheme. We then have a class theme for the term which starts with a Big Question. All of our learning for the term will help us answer this question, and others, by the end of the term. We love children to explore and ask questions and so we have set up most of our subjects each term in the form of an enquiry question to get them thinking for themselves.

Year 3 is about fluency in reading and our understanding of what we have read. We also continue to work on our handwriting ensuring a consistent size and joining our writing, working towards earning a pen licence. This year we will really be trying to use much more exciting vocabulary and extending our sentences to make our writing exciting. We can't wait to get started!

Term 1 we will be looking at all the countries that make up Europe. Our Big question is **'Where in Europe would you like to live?'**. If you have been to a European country then please could you email a photo of your child there so we can add them to our display? Our learning will include finding out where France is and begin to learn French starting with greetings and counting. In science we will be learning about light, how it travels, what a shadow is and how it can be changed. If you want to know about other subjects, please do look at the sheet that was given out at the end of the last academic year where you can see a yearly overview of each subject. If you have misplaced this, there is a copy on the school website under class pages, Hedgehogs.

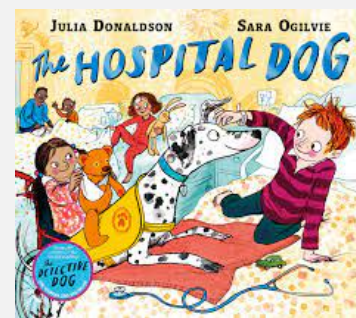
Our Book for our Guided Reading sessions this term:

The Sea Book
by Charlotte Milner



Our reading for enjoyment end of day book for this term:

George's Marvellous Medicine
by Roald Dahl

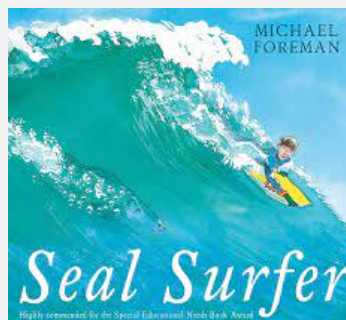


Term 1 Class text for writing:

Our class text this term will be:

Seal Surfer
by Michael Foreman

to support us to write a recount letter in the role of the character.



Termly Maths focus:

Place value
Addition and Subtraction

Our learning journey through the subjects this term:

YEAR 3	Term 1	
School theme PSHE	Being me in my world	
Learning Question	Where in Europe would you like to live?	
Science	<u>Forces and Magnets</u> How do things move?	
Geography	<u>Europe</u> Why do so many British people go to the Mediterranean for their holidays?	
Art	Stimulus: Animal Patterns Printing: Making printing blocks, 2 colours Printing onto fabric	
RE	What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?	
Music	Glockenspiel 2: pitch, pulse & rhythm	
PE	OAA & Multiskills	Bootcamp
Computing	Computing systems and networks	
French	I am learning French...	

Commando Joe	Being Self Aware and Empathy
Hook / Trips / Enrichment	13th October Orienteering / teambuilding Activities

Other important information:

PE Days

PE this term will be on a **Wednesday** and a **Thursday**, please remember to wear your PE kits on those days. If possible, it would be best if your child could remove their earrings on P.E. days.

Home Learning/Ways to support at home

Please support your child by encouraging them to read daily and discuss what they have read to check that they understand it. As children gain useful vocabulary and grammar influences from the books they read, it is important that they choose varied reading material. I will send out some termly spelling patterns and an activity each week to support children with their spellings.

In addition, please continue to help your child with their times tables. TTRockstars is up and running and the children are able to access this at home. Their login details are at the front of their reading records to access. The focus on times tables remains an important part of the curriculum as they underpin much of the maths (e.g. calculations and fractions).

Reading, spellings and times tables practice are expected each week. Then there is a homework grid as per last year for your child to choose an activity to do over the term.

Additional information

As the weather is now becoming unpredictable, please can you ensure your child comes in with a coat. Also, your child needs to bring their reading book in every day (even if it's not finished) so that we can read with them.



Reminder

	Reminder
3rd September	First day of Term
18th September	Jeans for Genes day
22nd September	Picnic in the Park 3:30pm
25th September	Book swap (bring a book from home and swap it for a different one)
5th October	Healthy Schools Day
16th October	Harvest Festival at ChristChurch
19th October	Orienteering and Team building Day
20th October	Individual School Photos

22nd October	Last Day of Term
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Please keep an eye on the monthly newsletters sent out online, as dates are kept updated here and new events added all the time!

A more detailed Yearly Plan is available on our Website.
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