



St Michael's Church of England Primary School

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Year 3 Newsletter

June 2022

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, I hope you had a wonderful half term holiday and are ready to start another exciting term.

STEM: This half term our 'topic' will have a science and DT focus. We aim to answer the key question 'How far can we make a model electric car travel?'. This will be a very practical unit with children designing, making and evaluating their own battery powered model cars. At the end of the term year 3 will put their electric cars to the test with a race against the year 4 cars. The unit will also provide opportunity for the children to write their own reports about different vehicles and research how the future of cars might look like.

Maths: We will begin this term by finishing off our unit on telling the time. This is such a useful life skill so any additional learning at home to support the learning in school will be so beneficial. After that we will move on to our final two units; mass and capacity and properties of shape. The children have been working tremendously hard on their times tables this year and made fantastic progress. For the last few weeks we will continue learning the 3,4- and 8-times tables and for a few children move onto the 6 times table.

English: This term we will be using a video called 'The dream giver' from the literacy shed. From this video their children will fine tune their descriptive writing skills by writing a character description for the creature and

Computing: This term the children will be creating their own PowerPoint presentations about vehicles. The children will have the freedom to explore and research any types of vehicles from formula one cars to electric cars. During this unit we will practise a number of important skills from typing and changing font to copy and pasting and saving documents.

PE: This term the children will be doing athletics. Each session the children will practise a different area of athletics with plenty of practise for sports day. The children are required to come to school dressed in their PE kit on Wednesdays.

DT: This term our focus will be on cooking. The children will design and make their own pizzas. Alongside this they will learn about what makes up a balanced diet and why it is important to eat healthily.

Homework: Children in year 3 are expected to read for at least 10 minutes on 4 separate occasions throughout the week. They are also expected to practise their set tables on TT rock stars for 15/20 minutes a week and practise the spellings assigned to them on Monday for a test on Friday.

Reading Books: The children will have two library books to take home. When the children return from lunch we have 10 minutes quiet reading time in class where they can change their books if then need to. Their yellow reading records will be checked every Monday. Please sign and date your

designing their own creature. The children will also have to opportunity to create their own dream sequence and explore their creative writing skills.

child's reading record each time they read. Please make every effort to ensure your child reads regularly as this is so important for us to help the children progress in their learning. Thank you for all your support.
Mr. Clee

Jigsaw: The theme of Jigsaw lessons this term will be 'Changing me'. The children will be learning growing up and some of the changes and challenges that it comes with.