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Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here is an overview of what will be happening in Year Three this half term.

Curriculum

Our half term topic is **Heroes and Villains** and the main focus for the topic will be 101 Dalmatians. This will include looking at plot, characters and settings within the book 101 Dalmatians.

Memorable Experience: The children will be visiting The Rep Theatre to watch 101 Dalmatians and will also have a day where they can come to school dressed as their favourite hero or villain.

English: The children will begin by looking at a narrative text, moving on to writing their own narrative. After this they will move onto persuasive writing, and construct a persuasive text about animals.

Maths: In mathematics the children will begin by covering:

- **Money**
- **Fractions**
- **Times tables**
- **Division**
- **2D shapes**
- **Length and perimeter**

Science: The children will be learning about how we need light in order to see things, and that dark is the absence of light. We will also be looking at how light from the sun can be dangerous, and that there are ways to protect our eyes.

Geography: The children will be continuing to develop their map reading skills, identifying different countries as well as other cities located in the United Kingdom.

History: Year Three will be looking at different historical heroes, including Martin Luther King, Florence Nightingale, Ghandi and the impact they had on society.

Music: This term children will be learning and performing a range of different songs, both solo and in groups. They will also be comparing two pieces of music on the same theme.

Art & Design: They will begin by looking at drawing cartoon dogs. They will do this by researching and evaluating other cartoon works by famous cartoonists like Walt Disney.

P.E: The children will be developing their netball skills, including passing and receiving the ball when playing games. They will be looking at how and when to pass, as well as movement off and on the ball.

Homework

Each week the children will receive:

- 1 piece of reading comprehension homework
- 1 piece of maths homework
- A list of 10 spellings.

All homework will be given out on Friday and collected on the following Thursday.

Spelling tests will also take place on a Friday.

Reading

Children need to read each night and a comment/signature should be recorded in their Home/School contact book.

This will be monitored weekly by class teachers.

Kind regards,

Ms Shiels, Mrs Quinlan, Mrs Sansi, Miss Dcaccia, Miss Mason