



BISHOPSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Welcome Back Year 3

Friday 10th January 2025

Dear Parents,

Firstly, Happy New Year to you all. We hope you all enjoyed the festive break. We are delighted to welcome you all back and look forward to another busy, but exciting half term. While we look forward to this half term, we must not forget to mention how fantastic last term was for all the children. We enjoyed performing in the Year 3/ 4 play, had fun making our own stone age houses out of clay and had a lovely Stone Age Day, experiencing what it would be like to live in the Stone Age,

Uniform

The children have come back looking very smart in their school uniform. As the weather is still cold and wet, please ensure that your child comes to school with a suitable coat. Please make sure that all uniform, school bags, coats, shoes and lunch boxes are clearly labelled to avoid a build-up of lost property. We are encouraging the children to remember their belongings, so if you could remind them of this too, that would be great.

Learning Challenge

This half term, our learning challenge will be 'Ancient Egypt – Weird or Wonderful?' Here the children will look at Egypt as a country and travel back in time to discover what life was like during this period. The children will locate Egypt on a map. In addition to this, they will also look at Ancient Egyptian Gods and learn about mummification.



P.E.

This half-term, the children will have **PE on a Monday afternoon.** The focus for these sessions will be Netball and gymnastics.

Homework

This term the children will still be expected to read at least 3 times per week and for this to be recorded in their new reading records; this will be checked by their class teacher every Friday. The children will continue to receive spellings to learn on a Friday and will be tested on these the following Friday. Finally, the children will receive a new homework grid for our Ancient Egypt topic to be stuck in their green homework book. This is also due in on a Friday and the children only have to complete one piece per week.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Dale & Miss Ralph

Caring



Respecting



Thriving Together



THE BISHOPSWOOD SCHOOLS FEDERATION

At Bishopswood, we offer a rich and diverse curriculum that engages all children. Enriched activities that motivate children, enhancing their life opportunities is something that is very important to us.

Year 3	Term – Spring 1
Subject	Areas Covered
English	<p><u>Writing</u> Instructions for Mummification- Non Fiction. Interview with Cleopatra- Fiction. Slowly- Poetry.</p> <p><u>Guided Reading</u> Matilda- Understanding language. Mr Fox-Inference. Mummies unwrapped- Summarise. Flat Stanley- Making predictions Jeremy Strong, there is a Pharaoh in our bath- Inference.</p> <p><u>Spellings</u> Year 3 spelling rules . Year 1 and 2 phonics revision.</p>
Mathematics	<p>Geometry. Fractions. Measure. (Time) For all these topics the children will be given many opportunities to problem solve and reason.</p>
Geography	<p>The River Nile . Farming Lands.</p>
History	<p>Egyptian artefacts. Egyptian timeline. Tutankhamun. Mummification. Gods and Pharaohs.</p>
Art	<p>Egyptian Sketching- Focus on tone and shade.</p>
Music	<p>Chinese Lantern song.</p>
Science	<p><u>Light</u> Why do we need to see light? Sources of light. Shadows. Changing shadows. Reflective light. Sun Safety.</p>
Physical Education	<p>Netball- Passing, shooting and playing a simple games with rules. Gymnastics- Travelling in different ways and using apparatus safely.</p>

RSHE	<p>PSHE My happy mind – Celebration.</p> <p>RE What does creation mean? Christian stories and creation. Religious creation stories. The Big Bang.</p>
Computing	<p>Word document skills Passwords and screenshots. Open a word document, write something and save. Find a picture and save it. Change case. Align texts. Bullets and numbering. Text boxes.</p>
Languages	Spanish. (Instruments)

