



ABBEY MEAD
PRIMARY ACADEMY

Year 3

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope you have all had a wonderful break and ready for what 2022 brings us!

As always, our door is open if you have any questions or comments about your children's learning. The best time for this is after school at the school gates. We are all looking forward to another fantastic term! We do have two student teachers joining us this term. Ms Vardy will be based in 3CR and Ms Graham will be based in 3ET. Feel free to also talk to them about your child. Mrs Sidyot, Miss Thompson and Mrs Richards.

Personal, Health, Social and Community Education (P.H.S.C.E.)

This term, we will be looking at belonging and how we can build personal relationships. We will learn about diversity and community; and the importance of the different cultures that make up the community we live in. Finally, we will be analysing our citizenship skills alongside one of our teamwork DT projects.

P.E.

This term, P.E lessons will focus on hockey which will develop children's control, communication and team work skills. There will also be a focus on children developing their problem solving skills. Our P.E lessons will take place outdoor this term. Please ensure that children arrive at school in their PE kits as they will remain in these all day. As the weather gets colder, please make sure that children have a waterproof jacket, gloves and a hat when appropriate

PE days: Mondays

Important Dates:

- School closes for half term on 11th February 2022 and opens again on 21st February 2022
- School closes for Easter on 8th April 2022
- World Book Dress Day- Thursday 3rd March 2022

English:

This term we will be reading 'The Witches' by Roald Dahl.

This book tells the story of a little boy and his Grandma who have an encounter with some witches. The children will be continuing to learn how to:

- Develop their reading comprehension skills.
- Learn to use a range of punctuation
- Use persuasive language to write an advert
- Write a newspaper report



Children will continue to read regularly as part of our shared reading and guided reading sessions. It would be great if you could ask your child what they have been learning about in shared reading and their English lessons to reinforce the learning that takes place. Please ensure that children have their reading books and library books in school every day so that they can read and change their books regularly.

Remember to read every day and to fill in your Reading Journal which is now on the Learning Links letters. Please ensure that your child reads to an adult everyday for 20 minutes

Also, encourage your child to practise their spellings everyday so that they become a super speller!

Geography — Romans

This term, we are learning about the Romans. We will be learning about the Geography of the Roman Empire and making comparisons between the human and physical features of Rome and the UK. We will also be using maps to locate and draw the ancient Roman roads, as well as Hadrian's wall.



History — Romans

We will be learning about the formation of the Roman Empire, the factors that brought the

Geography — Volcanoes

During the second half of the term, we will move on to begin our volcanoes topic. We will be learning about how volcanoes are formed, where most volcanoes can be located, why a volcano erupts and the impact of these eruptions. We will also understand how a volcano can become extinct.



Mathematics

This term, pupils will be focusing on:

1	Multiplying and dividing by 3, 4 and 8.
2	Comparing different multiplication and division calculations.
3	Multiplying a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number using column multiplication.
4	Consolidation of key skills.

Every morning, we will have a daily calculation session to support and build pupil's arithmetic skills. These sessions will focus on the skills that we are learning in Maths.

Please continue to practise times tables with your child. In Year 2, the children will be learning their 2, 4 and 8 times table. Keep

Computing- This term, we will be learning about online safety and developing the children's digital literacy. We will then proceed to learning how to present work and ideas using Microsoft PowerPoint.

Music

We are continuing to study how to play the Glockenspiel.

Art/DT

During our Romans topic, we will be designing, planning, creating and evaluating a Chariot with working parts. During our Volcanoes topic, we will be designing, planning, creating and evaluating a Volcano themed cake based on a brief and market research.

French

This term in French we will be learning about how to describe myself, including body parts and movement types. We will also begin our French phonics unit to learn the basic sounds used within the French language.

Religious Education (R.E)

This term in R.E, we will be learning about Christianity. We will be thinking about how Christians worship in Church and at home, how they worship through prayer and music and what their beliefs are.

Science— Forces and Magnets/Rocks

This term we will be learning about Forces; such as, pushes and pulls and how

Homework will be given every Friday in the children's Learning Link books. This needs to be handed in the following week by Wednesday so that the teachers have enough time to check the