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Autumn 2 Newsletter Year 3

Dear Year 3 parents and guardians,

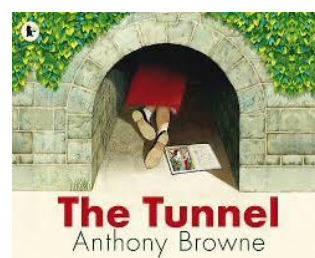
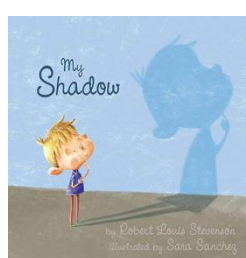
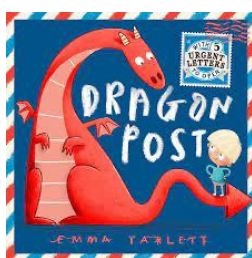
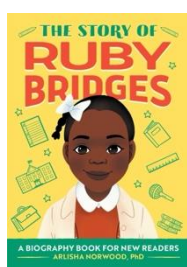
We are so excited to begin the second term of Year 3!

Reading

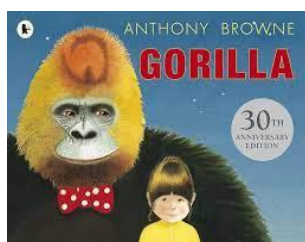
Vocabulary
Infer
Predict
Explain
Retrieve
Summarise



In Reading, we will be continuing to explore texts as a whole class and focusing on the VIPERS skills. Linked to Black History Month, we will be spending the first two weeks on a non-fiction text about Ruby Bridges. We will then be focusing on the story, Dragon Post. After that, we will be exploring a poetry text, 'My Shadow'. We will then be exploring some non-fiction texts on Christmas celebrations around the world. Finally, we will be delving into Anthony Browne's 'The Tunnel', which will link to our Writing. We are continuing to read our class novel, 'The Wild Way Home' by Sophie Kirtley.



Writing



This term, we will be using some texts by Anthony Browne to inspire our writing. The children will begin the term by writing a diary entry as Hannah in 'Gorilla'. Then they will be writing their own creative narratives inspired by some of the themes in the story. The children will then be creating some non-chronological reports about gorillas. The following week, children will be doing some descriptive writing, inspired by 'The Tunnel'. Finally, children will be writing a character description of 'Excitable Edgar'.

Maths

In Maths this term, we follow the White Rose small steps, and will continue our learning with Addition and Subtraction for the next several weeks, then moving onto Multiplication and Division. We are attaching workbooks related to these units, these will give you an idea of what and how your children will be learning. These are a useful tool if you would like to pre-teach these units to support your child's learning, or to do at the end of a unit to consolidate their learning. We will be continuing with discrete fluency sessions in Year 3, beginning with a consolidation of KS1 Mastering Number, focusing on number bonds and key number facts. Your children should all have their TTRS/Numbots log in to use for their home learning. Please make sure if you have the app, that you make sure to update it regularly, so that you are using the most current version. Children should be confident with their 5s and 10s timestables from Year 2, and over the Autumn term Year Three's focus will be the 2- and 4-times tables. Numbots focuses on addition and subtraction fluency, and it is imperative that children are secure with their number bonds of single digits, tens, twenty and a hundred to support them in their next steps in their learning. <https://trockstars.com/>

Wider Curriculum

In Science, we will be learning about magnets and forces, conducting a range of fun, hands on investigations! In Geography, children will be learning about and comparing urban and rural areas. In RE, the children will be learning about Judaism. As Diwali is coming up in November, we also have an exciting dance workshop to celebrate. In DT and Computing, the children will be creating their own games using Scratch. This will be a great base for them to continue with LEGO Spike in the Spring term, to further build on their coding knowledge. In Spanish, children will continue their learning about greetings, followed by learning about fruits. In PSHE, we will be learning about risks, hazards, as well as SRE (sex and relationships education). Children will be learning about similarities and differences in body parts for males and females, as well as discussing personal space,

PE

In PE, children will be developing their agility skills, learning a range of static and dynamic balances. We will also be learning some dance moves and actions for our Christmas performance. These days at time may be subject to change, as we work around our music rehearsals.

Mrs Tyler' class- Mondays and Tuesdays

Mr Stoodley's class – Tuesdays and Thursdays

If you need to contact us about anything, please get in touch with the school office and they will pass on a message to us. If you have any questions, you can contact us through the office at hscontact@halstow.compassps.uk and it will be redirected to the relevant person.

All the best to you and your families,
Mrs Tyler and Mr Stoodley