

Bradwell Village School

Year Three Newsletter

January 2020

Dates for your Diary

7 th Jan	Back to school
7 th – 17 th Jan	Creative Weeks
17 th Jan	Open pm 2.15
13 th Feb	School Disco Yrs 3 & 4 5 to 6pm Yrs 5 & 6 6.15 to 7.15pm
14 th Feb	School breaks for half term
24 th Feb	Back to school
26 th & 27 th Feb	Parents Evenings
3 rd Apr	School breaks for Easter
20 th Apr	Return back to school

School Uniform

A reminder that all hair adornments should be small and either blue, black or white.

Can all clothing, especially jumpers cardigans and coats be **clearly labelled** with the child's name. We already have lost property gathering.

Please ensure that all children are bringing coats to wear at playtimes and appropriate warm clothing for Outdoor Games.



Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to BVS and the new Spring Term. Our Topic is: 'It's all Greek to Me!'. Our Creative Fortnight this term is Heroes and Inspirational People. Year 3 have chosen Dina Asher-Smith, Tim Berners-Lee, Winston Churchill, Michelle Obama, The Queen and David Walliams as our inspirational people. We will be learning about their lives and finding out what they have done to inspire us. If you have the time, please pop in on Thursday 9th at 10am for an hour, to work with your child and get a glimpse of what we are doing, or come to the open afternoon on the 17th at 2.15pm.

We look forward to meeting you at our Parents' Consultation Evenings which will be on the 26th and 27th February but if any issues arise in the meantime please don't hesitate to contact us.

Parking

Please avoid parking across the school entrance gates and be mindful of all pedestrians between 3 and 3.30. Encourage your child to wear something bright – high vis.



Autumn Term Highlights

Keeping Bikeability last term, despite being very wet, went very well and was enjoyed by all.

BVS raised a substantial amount of money for Macmillan on our coffee morning.

The Christmas play was a fabulous triumph and many thanks go to all the children who performed and the staff who helped make it such a success.

BVS tuck shop has kicked off and is providing much loved snacks at playtime. This is proving to be very popular. Thank you Mrs Anderson and Mrs Okell for arranging this.



Healthy Tuck shop is up and running and doing well.

Things to look forward to this Spring

Year Six are off to the Space Centre in Leicestershire as part of their Spring Topic.

Year Five are planning visits to the recycling centre.

There are more Class Assemblies :

4KM 27th Jan

4CH 3rd Feb

4HBS 10th Feb

3JW 2nd March

3TB 9th March

3JT 16th March

Finally, Homework will be set each week and can be found on the school website. Please encourage your child/children to read as much as possible.

Should you have any concerns, contact the class teacher initially. Year Team Managers are also available to help.

Online Safety

Please refer to these website links for more information on how to keep your children safe on the internet.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk>

or <https://www.nspcc.org.uk>

Year 3 Teaching Staff

Miss Wiseman (Assistant Headteacher), **Miss Branch** (Class Teacher), **Mrs Tyler and Miss Thompson** (Class Teacher).

Learning Support Assistants **Mrs Dean-Corke, Mrs Stephenson and Mrs Bedford**

Subject Overviews

Topic

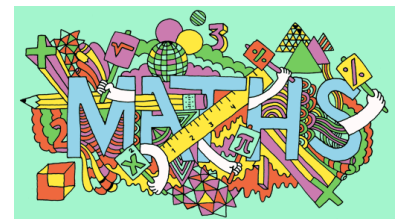
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English

For the first half of the term we will be reading and performing a variety of play scripts and then writing our own play script which we will perform to the class. During the second half of the term, as part of our work on the Greeks, we will be reading and performing some of Aesop's fables and writing our own fable. We will also write our own information page about the Ancient Greeks. We will continue to reinforce the basics of grammar and sentence structure and have weekly spelling tests. We will also continue to have our weekly Guided Reading sessions where we focus on the skills needed to answer comprehension questions, look deeper into the text and make inferences and deductions as well as develop our fluency, expression and deepen our enjoyment of reading.

Maths

This term we will continue to develop written methods for the main operations and use these methods to solve word problems. We will also be focusing on the children's understanding of relationships between numbers and number facts. Through practical sessions we will investigate time, shape and measure. We will use our Back to Basics sessions to continue to develop rapid mental recall of number bonds and times tables through games and practical activities.



Science

We will be learning about forces and magnets. We will find out about forces between objects and whether magnetic forces can act at a distance. We will investigate, identify and group materials that are magnetic and learn about magnetic poles. We will find out whether magnets attract or repel each other.

Computing

In Computing we will develop our skills to create simple animations to make objects perform actions in a sequence. We will begin to write our own code and program a simple sequencing game.



History

In History we will be finding out about the Greek city states of Athens and Sparta and exploring their political systems and lifestyles, as well as learning about the Persian Wars and the impact they had on Greece. We will investigate the origins of the Olympic Games and plan and perform our own Greek play. We will research Alexander the Great and learn about the people and culture of Ancient Greece through archaeological evidence.

Geography

In Geography, we will use maps and atlases to locate Greece. We will be identifying the main features of the landscape in Greece and learn about its climate.

Art

We will explore a range of Greek art and use it to inspire us to design, make and evaluate our own Greek pot.



Design Technology

In DT we will design and make packaging for our Greek pot.

Games/PE

In Games & PE we will learn the skills needed to play different net and wall games as well as invasion games like handball or basketball. We will also learn and perform some dance routines. PE kit is needed on Mon, Tues and Weds.

Music

In Music we will listen to and appreciate some traditional Greek music through time. We will learn about the Greek chorus and write and record some of our own songs.

RE/PSHE

In RE we will be learning about the religion of Hinduism and finding out what different symbols represent. We will learn about Hindu Gods and stories associated with them.

In PSHE we will be discussing how to get on with others and resolve differences of opinion. We will investigate self-esteem and things that we are good at. We shall continue to promote our values.

International Links

For our International Links we will be identifying the impact that Greeks had around the world.

French

French will be taught by Mrs Tyler through a variety of games, books and songs. We will learn how to count to 40. We will also be taught how to name different parts of the body, including the face and descriptions of monsters. We will reinforce the words for colours.

