



# Thomas Bullock CE Primary Academy

## Autumn Term 1 Newsletter



### Europe Class Year 3



#### Let our light shine! Welcome back!

We hope you had a wonderful Summer Holiday and are looking forward to the new school year ahead in KS2 ! Mrs Foster and I, can't wait to share a fantastic year with Europe class and begin some exciting learning with them!  
As always please feel free to contact me via the school office if you have any questions or concerns about your child. I am always happy to help and support in any way that I can.



This half term's learning: This half term our topic theme is called " Fractured Fairytales" We will then be moving into "Stone age, bronze age and iron age"

To start with we will be reading The adventures of the dish and the spoon by Mini Grey, we will then be reading Trolls and The True story of the Three Billy Goats Gruff.

We will be writing our own fairy tale from a different characters point of view, learning about settlements as well as learning all about the human body, skeletal system and nutrition.



#### English

We will be focusing on various different genres in writing through out the year but this half term we will focus mainly on:

##### Narrative:

- Children will be able to clearly describe characters or settings, show evidence of an effective plot, use paragraphs to clearly show different elements of the required narrative.
- Vary sentence structure by using more than one clause and a range of conjunctions to extend sentences: e.g. and/but/or/for/so, secure use of subordinating conjunctions - when/if/because/ although/before/since/while .
- Use a variety of sentence openers: express time, place and cause
- Use a variety of sentence openers: express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. when, while, so, because), adverbs (e.g. today, next, soon, therefore), prepositions (e.g. before, after, during, in)
- Show simple cohesion within sentences using pronouns and proper nouns.
- Show consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing
- Use precise adjectives for description in noun phrases
- Use the present perfect form of verbs rather than simple past where appropriate to suit the genre of writing e.g. I have tried/I tried
- Use a or an correctly in front of a noun phrase
- Use the basic punctuation taught at KS1 mostly correctly: capital letters (for proper nouns and the pronoun I), full stops, question marks and exclamation marks, use commas to separate items in a list, use commas to demarcate adverbs at the beginning of sentences, use apostrophes to show omission or singular possession, use inverted commas to indicate direct speech



##### Spelling

- Spell many words with prefixes and suffixes correctly.
- Spell many of the y3/4 Common exception words.
- Spell common homophones correctly
- Begin to spell Y3/4 homophones correctly.



##### Presentation

There will be a big push on presentation of work this year with children being able to earn and receive their pen licence for joined up and well presented work.

- I can use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters should be left unjoined
- At home encourage neatest handwriting when completing homework.

**The children will receive weekly Spellings and will be tested on these every Friday**

#### Math's

In maths we will be focusing on Number, Place Value, approximation estimation and rounding. The children will learn to

- Count from 0 in multiples of 4,8,50 and 100
- Compare and order numbers up to 1000
- Read and write numbers to 1000 in numerals and words
- Find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number



#### Science

We be will learning about the Skeletons, Muscles and Nutrition. The children will learn how the skeletal and muscular system works in the body and the importance of nutrition.

#### Geography

The focus topic this half term is Settlements. We will be looking at different settlements in the UK as well as our local area.

#### Art

We will be learning about Picasso and creating our very own Picasso inspired self portraits.

#### Computing

We will be continuing our Purple Mash scheme of work starting with E-safety and searching the internet.



#### French

We will be starting our first unit of French which is very exciting! Our first unit is called Bonjour ! We will be learning how to say hello and goodbye, say and ask names, count to 10 and much more.

#### Music

Music lessons will be provided by the Norfolk Music Hub and linked closely to our fairytale learning.

#### PE

We will be practicing our tag Rugby skills with Miss Greenland.

**Our PE day will be Fridays please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit.**

As the weather begins to turn in the Autumn term, we politely request that your child brings a pair of wellies to keep in school. Please continue to bring your child's bookbag (containing their reading book and record), water bottle (with fresh **water** daily), a lunch box if required and a warm, waterproof coat every day. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Thank you