

Chestnut Class Year 3

Spring Term 1 January-February 2024

Miss Anderson and Mrs Hignett

## PE

PE will take place once a week on Wednesday.  
Please come into school in your PE kit on this day.



## English

The text that we will be focusing on this half term is Jemmy Button. We will be writing our own return narrative focusing on key features, sentence structure, vocabulary choice and use of inverted commas to punctuate speech correctly.

Our reading unit this term will be on Rivers. We will explore a range of non-fiction texts throughout this half term such as Dazzling Rivers and the King Clouds.

During each text we will follow the same sequence of read, model, practice and apply.

## Maths

This half term we will be completing our unit on multiplication and division by introducing grid multiplication and division through partitioning.

Later in the half term we will be moving onto length and perimeter. We will be doing lots of practical activities to explore measure and our understanding of this in real life situations.

## Science

This half term Year 3 will be looking at light and shadows.

There will be lots of knowledge-based learning as we will be investigating what light and dark is and how shadows are formed.

We will also be exploring how light helps us to see, how our eyes process light and which surface types are reflective.

## Geography

In Geography this half term we are continuing our topic on volcanoes and will be investigating the question 'Why do volcanoes erupt?' We will be looking at the layers of the Earth, where on Earth volcanoes are located and how volcanoes and earthquakes are linked.

## History

In History this half term we are continuing our topic on the Romans and will be exploring what we learnt from them. We will be exploring how the Romans invaded Britain, what they wore, why Hadrian's Wall was built and who Boudicca was!

## PHSE and RE

In PHSE, we will be continuing our Happy Minds unit on meeting our brains. The children will learn about the different parts of their brains and how they influence their choices and decisions.

## Home Learning

Homework for the week will be posted on Google Classroom on a Friday and should be completed by Wednesday. Teachers will inform the children how to complete this and place any extra information needed on Google Classroom.

**Read at home 5 times a week** – Strive for Five! This can be achieved through reading the school book provided or reading other texts that they have access to at home. Please ensure that you write all reads into the reading log and send these to school daily. Every read counts towards their 100 reads, earning them a new book to keep forever.

**Doodle Maths and Doodle Times Tables**- Access these regularly to ensure that times tables recall and recognition is quick and can support them in their maths work.