



PUTTING THE FUN BACK
INTO LEARNING!

Grade 3 Curriculum Guide

April 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Grade 3 team hope you have had a wonderful Spring Break and that your children are ready for the final term of Grade 3.

We are sure that you are already aware that we have an educational visit booked to Ferrari World! The children will be using and applying their knowledge of Sound (see the Science section below) in a real life setting. Payment for the educational visit is due by Thursday 12th April 2018.

Please ensure that children are not bringing toys to school. We have had a number of incidents where children have had arguments and disagreements regarding toys so we have agreed not to allow them for the remainder of the school year. Thank you for your cooperation.

Term 3 Parents Evening will be the week beginning Monday 16th April for Pre KG to G5 and Sunday 22nd April for Pre KG to Grade 10. Grade 5 teachers will be available on both evenings from 4.30pm to 7pm. You will be able to collect your children's Term 2 Reports at Parents Evening and we encourage you to attend to discuss your child's progress and targets for Term 3.

Please also remember that UK Homework Projects are due in on Tuesday 10th April. The best projects will receive a prize from the Grade 3 Team and Ms Allison.

Please find April's curriculum guide below.

Kind regards,

The Grade 3 Team

English

In English this month, Grade 3 will be studying "Narrative". They will learn how famous authors such as Roald Dahl write their stories, and they will learn how to describe characters and settings in order to make their writing more interesting, using adjectives, synonyms and exciting verbs. They will also learn how to keep their writing in the same tense for consistency. Alongside this, they will read parts of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe'. Every Thursday, the children will have their weekly spelling test.

Maths

In Maths this month, Ms Sasha and Ms Yvonne's Maths classes will be studying "Fractions". They will learn how to find equivalent fractions, how to simplify fractions and how to add and subtract fractions. The children will also learn the decimal equivalents of fractions and how to find these.

The remaining classes will be studying "Measures". They will learn about weight, length and capacity, and how to convert between different units of measure, for example, centimetres to metres. They will also estimate the measurements of different objects in real-life contexts.

Every Thursday, the children will take part in the "99 club", which is a weekly challenge to assess their addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills. The assessments have 9 levels, with children receiving a certificate each time they progress to a new level.

Topic

In Topic this month, Grade 3 will continue their studies of human and physical features of the UK, and one of our lessons will be dedicated to homework (please see above). The children will compare what they have learned about the different parts of the UK with that of the UAE, i.e. which famous buildings are in the UAE and the UK? How old are they?

Science

In Science this month, Grade 3 will continue with their studies of electricity. They will learn the different components of an electrical circuit and how to make a circuit using electrical equipment. They will also learn about electrical safety.

After completing their work on Electricity, the children will begin to study "Sound". They will first learn that we can hear sounds because of vibrations in the air, and that these vibrations need to travel through a medium in order for us to hear them. As mentioned above, the children will be doing some work around this on their Ferrari World visit.

Stationery required in your child's pencil case

Some children are running low on stationery in their pencil case. Occasionally this can prevent them from fully accessing all activities. Please ensure your child's pencil case is restocked ready for Term 3.

White board pen	Ruler
White board eraser	Sharpener
Pencil	Scissors
Pencil eraser	Protractor
Blue or black ball point pen	Coloured pencils
Red pen	Highlighters green and yellow
Glue stick	

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