

Y3 Autumn Newsletter 2021

WELCOME TO KS2 & YEAR 3!

I hope you've all had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to continuing our BRW Spirit Strong through this year's school theme **'Rise up. Have Courage. Do it!'** (Ezra 10:4)

At the heart of our journey in our faith this term will be the topics and their Big QuestionsHomes 'What makes a house a home?'

Promises 'Why make promises?' and Visitors 'Are visitors always welcome?' Our 'Other Faith' this term will be Judaism.

We start this Autumn term with 'Be the Light! How dark were the Dark Ages?' We will use a range of high quality texts, information books, film and music to inspire and motivate us!

During our weekly Whole Class Reading sessions this term, we will be expanding our vocabulary and comprehension skills, using Roald Dahl's 'Revolting Rhymes' and Anthony Browne's version of 'Hansel and Gretel'.



Come and See
Topics this term:

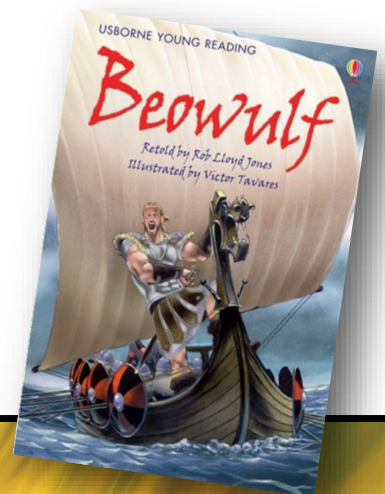


Homes
Promises
Visitors

Through **History and Geography** we will deepen our understanding of timelines and changes in Britain, during the Anglo-Saxon period. We will pose questions and follow lines of enquiry using a range of historical sources. In Geography we'll learn about Settlements. What they are, where and why they are located in particular areas and recognising features of settlements.

This term we will begin our **French** lessons and build up a bank of simple words and phrases to introduce ourselves.

Miss Ferrara will teach **Art and DT** where we will look at using pencil grades to draw facial expression and producing final pieces inspired by Anglo-Saxons patterns and textures. The focus artist this term will be the awe-inspiring Gustav Klimt. Miss Ferrara will also guide the children through our Come and See topics.



RISE UP
TAKE COURAGE
AND DO IT

EZRA 10:4

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30th August / 2nd Sept

INSET days

23/09/21 10:15 Whole School

Mass of Welcome 10:15am

Parents Consultations :

13th Oct 1.30 – 3.30pm

14th Oct 4 – 7pm

7/10/21 Harvest Mass 10:15

TBC

HALF TERM

18th - 29th October

Fri 19th November NDCYS –

Youth Day

1st November INSET Day

15/12/21

Christmas Jumper Day – BRW

Christmas Dinner

Carols Around The Tree

5:30pm

WB 16th Dec Year 3 Christmas

Celebration 2.45pm tbc

16/12/21 Whole School Advent

Mass 10:15 TBC

End of Term 20/12/ 3/1/2022

We will be examining and analysing various texts in English, and using imaginative models of writing to inspire us to create our own. To help enhance our Speaking and Listening skills we will participate in discussions, presentations, performances, role-play, improvisations and the occasional heated debate.

This term we will focus on 'Place Value' and really mastering our knowledge of numbers. We will reinforce and extend our Maths through data collection, measuring and investigations! We are going to revise number bonds and multiplication facts in order to improve fluency! Year 3 must know their 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x and 10x by the end of the year. The children will be given their passwords for the websites Times Tables Rock Stars and Mathletics.

In Science we will study Electricity and explore Light and investigate how shadows are made and how we can change them.

In Computing we will learn how to stay safe online and use programming skills to create work related to our topic. In P.E. we will learning a variety of Multi-skills and Gymnastics.

How you can help

There will be reading, spellings and Maths homework **every** week. Please try to practice multiplication facts and number bonds daily. There could be follow-up research in other areas if appropriate.

Please check the weekly homework diary and encourage your child to complete the tasks set on time. Encourage your child to read regularly and discuss what they've read to ensure understanding.

Please make sure your child has their **P.E. kit** (black shorts, white T-shirt and trainers or plimsolls, clearly labelled) in school on **Mondays** and PE kit should stay in school all week.

Your child also needs a **painting apron/old shirt** in school to protect their uniform during art lessons. This should remain on their peg in their bag all week.

Please check the **Year 3 Web page** for updates and recommended websites. Support your child in blogging and posting comments, please ensure they **only** use their **first name** and their **own school email** address. Blog address: brwacademy.com

If you have any spare time and feel you could offer some specialist skills to enhance our learning this term, maybe you have some woodwork skills, are an expert baker or would be able to chat to the children about your job. I'd love to hear from you! If you have any queries please feel free to ask. Thank you for your support, exciting times ahead!

Mrs Byrne



There is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it.

-Amanda Gorman

