



TERM 2

Welcome back, we hope you had a relaxing half term!

This term has already been busy and will be getting busier as we move towards Christmas. The children will be performing in a Carol service in the school hall, on the 13th December, rather than a Nativity production this year. This will be recorded for parents to watch at home.

English

This term we will be looking at noun phrases and description in the story *Welcome Home* by Michael Rosen, and we will be continuing to look at information texts, focussing on instructions.



Maths

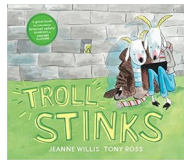
In our maths work this term, we will be focusing on our skills with multiplication and division, and will be encouraging the children to practise their 2,3,4,5,10 times tables and they will be learning their 8s. Please remember to encourage your children to practise their times tables using TTRS



website [Times Tables Rock Stars \(trockstars.com\)](http://Times Tables Rock Stars (trockstars.com)) and [Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds \(topmarks.co.uk\)](#)

Theme

Our theme this term to look at settlements moving onto cities and mega cities. We will also be looking at rivers and coasts and how water has shaped the land and the settlements on it. We will be creating Christmas crafts and focussing on speaking out about bullying and friendship issues in Friendship Week.



Cold weather:

As the weather gets colder children are encouraged to bring in hats, gloves and scarves. Please ensure these are **clearly named** so they do not get lost. Children will be encouraged to keep them in their locker.

E-safety

This term we will be focussing on e-safety especially when using phones or tablets to send and receive photos. We will be ensuring the children realise that once they send a photo or a message it cannot be undone.

They will also be made aware that not everyone is telling the truth in their online profiles, so they should not share details or accept anyone to be their friend unless their parents are aware.

Reading:

We ask that children bring their reading books into school on a daily basis with the reading record book signed and dated to show that your child has read to or with an adult at home every evening (if possible). The books will be changed on a **Monday**. It is beneficial for your children to enjoy the book with you and to engage in discussions about the characters and content of the book etc. Therefore, it is not a necessity that your child completes a whole book per night, but a few pages with lots of discussion. We have included some question prompts for you to use. This term we are focussing on retrieval and summarising the text in our daily reading sessions.



PE:

This term we will be enjoying lessons incorporating Football and Dodgeball. PE lessons are scheduled for **Monday** and **Thursday** for both classes. Monday will be outdoors with a specialised football coach, weather permitting, and Thursday will be Dodgeball indoors. Please remember that all children are expected to take part in PE lessons and should wear the appropriate kit into school, on these days. This includes white t-shirt, either dark shorts or jogging bottoms, and trainers. Please include a jumper for your child to wear. Please remember to tie long hair back and earrings should be removed at home if they cannot do so themselves.

Future Events:

Term 2—football coach, Christmas Carol concert and Christmas Fayre

Term 3—Fossils and making volcanoes

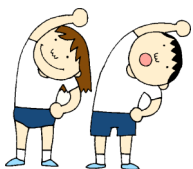
Term 4—Bread making

Term 5—Roman Day including dressing up as a Roman and food tasting

Term 6—Trip

Junk modelling request:

Please can we ask your children to bring in a toilet roll/kitchen roll (inner tube) to use as part of one of our Christmas decorations during **week 3**. We will be completing different arts and crafts this term, if you want to send in an apron for your child to wear, they can keep it in their locker. Please make sure their name is on the apron.



If you have any questions, concerns or comments at all please do not hesitate to let us know through the homework diaries or by making an appointment through the office.

Thank you from the Year 3 team.

Miss Collings, Mr Hare, Mrs Tyler and Mrs Newberry.