



Talk for life and learning!

Attached with this newsletter is all of the key words we will be seeing, saying, learning and using in class. It would be great, if you could use these words at home.

Here are a few key words to get you started:

1. Ancestor
2. Generations
3. Mightiest
4. stealthy

Class 3's Summer 1 Newsletter

We are the 'Tremendous Turtles.'

A very warm welcome to this week's newsletter.

Class Attendance Update

Each half term, we will update you on how our class attendance is looking compared to the other classes in school. As a school we are aiming high for 98% attendance this year and we have a saying in school, **'The best ability is availability.'**

Class 3's attendance: 97.5 %

School attendance: 97.3%



"Children at Thurgoland CE Primary are encouraged to see that everyone is special and unique and, in this way, gain a sense of ourselves as a unique individual – that true self, or best self, God has created us to be."

Class Specific Events and Information

Below is a list of events and important information specific to our class. For a comprehensive view of whole school events, please refer to the school's website or Mr. Jordan's weekly newsletter.

Upcoming Class Events

Bubble walk to school/British Tea Party for school lunch.

- **Date:** Friday 15th May, 8:45 at village hall.
- **Details:** Participate in our bubble walk to school with class mates before enjoying a wonderful tea party lunch.

Group Photos

- **Date:** Wednesday 20th May.

Oracy Performance

- **Date:** Wednesday 20th May, 14:45.
- **Details:** Parents are warmly welcomed to Class 3 to hear our performance of 'The Sound Collector' by Roger McGough. We will do two performances, in case you are watching a performance in another classroom that day too.

PE Days are changing!!

PE lessons will now take place every Wednesday and Thursday. Please could parents ensure pupils are wearing appropriate PE uniform, this consists of:

- The new PE Team T-Shirt in Navy Blue
- Plain navy or dark coloured jogging bottoms or leggings;
- Plain, dark shorts
- Appropriate trainers for sport



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We kindly ask for all jewellery to be removed before school and that long hair is tied up.

Important Information

Homework Policy

Homework is assigned every Friday and is due the following Thursday. Please encourage your child to manage their time effectively. In Class 3 our homework has changed, as we now use SUMDOG for our Maths and Spelling homework. We also continue to use Class Dojo for our 2 minutes of reading and TTRS for our timestables practise.

We thank you for your continued support and engagement with weekly homework.

For any questions or additional details, please feel free to reach out to the Class Teacher, who will be on the door every morning or email your enquiry to office@thurgolandprimary.org and we will get back to you within 48 hours. Anything urgent please phone or catch us face to face. We look forward to an exciting and productive half term!

As educators we are all passionate about the way children are formed by the environment in which they grow. To become our best self we will need the environment that enables this.



What are we learning about this half term?

This half term, Class 3 will embark on an exciting journey of discovery across various subjects. Our goal is to provide a well-rounded educational experience that fosters children to love to learn, give things a go, be resilient, show respect and aim high. Below is an overview of the topics we will explore.

Reading:

In Reading, we will read Varjak Paw, a riveting story of family loyalty and strength.

Our focus will be on developing our inference skills, justifying our inferences of character's feelings and thoughts using evidence from the text. It requires our resilient learners to read between the lines and understand things not directly stated in the text.

Writing:

In writing we will write informal letters using time adverbials, prepositions and conjunctions to share detail with the receivers of our letters. After this, we will be writing balanced arguments and debating using our text, Varjak Paw as our stimulus.

Our focus will be on developing our writing in the present perfect tense, selecting an appropriate tone and time adverbials to sequence our writing and add cohesion.

Mathematics:

Our mathematics curriculum will cover foundational concepts, including: Fractions and Mass and Capacity. We will be understanding how to find fractions of amounts and learning how to add and subtract fractions. We will learn the difference between mass and capacity and use our times table knowledge to convert between difference units of measurement.

Science:

In science, we will focus on plants and the reproductive process. We will understand how plants can self and cross pollinate and how germination takes place.

Physical Education: We will begin building our knowledge and experience in cricket and learning the Charleston dance!

PHSE/RSE: Looking after our world and considering the ways in which we can help look after and protect our planet.

Art / DT: We are creating watercolour landscapes using new techniques to layer our colour

Music: We will learn Jazz and learn about syncopated rhythms.



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History: What was Thurgoland like in 1852? Pupils will be transported back to Victorian times to learn about what life was like for Thurgoland pupils nearly 200 years ago.

French: We will be developing our knowledge of cognates and near cognates, and describing how we travel on a range of modes of transport.

RE: We are studying Hinduism and exploring the key question "How do Hindu's believe the world works?"

This half term promises to be an enriching and enjoyable experience for all students in Class 3. We look forward to another joyful season filled with learning, growth, and fun!

You can find more detailed information about the knowledge and skills your child will be learning in our curriculum documents, which can be found on the school website: <https://thurgolandprimary.org/curriculum-statement/>

**Please encourage your child to complete their homework weekly on Class Dojo's and if you want to spend a little more time on home learning, why don't you try an activity from our half term bingo boards. You can find these on the school website and this half terms bingo board is attached with this newsletter. <https://thurgolandprimary.org/students/>
The bingo boards can be downloaded from the tabs, which are located on the left hand side of the webpage.**



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