



Year 3 News

A newsletter for Year 3 Parents

Spring term 2024

RAINFORESTS

This term Year 3 will be learning about rainforests. We will find out about both temperate and tropical rainforests and learn about their different layers. The children will use books, films, leaflets, images and the internet to research the plants, birds and animals that live in these ancient forests. We will also learn about the people who live in rainforests and how and why rainforests are very important places. We will study the work of the famous artist Henri Rousseau and have a go at creating jungle landscapes of our own.

Trip to Drusillas

On Thursday 7th March, Sea Lions and Seals will be going to Drusillas. We'll meet all sorts of animals and take part in an immersive Rainforest workshop.

Google Classroom

Do check our Year 3 Google Classroom to find our weekly home learning and support with times tables/Reading.

HOME READING

You can earn points for every book you read with Accelerated Reader, by taking a quiz at school. Enjoy discussing what you've read about!

New Year's Resolution 2024: To become more independent and this is how you can help at home...

Top Tips for parents!

Years 3 and 4 are a time to become organised and be responsible for yourself and your learning.

For your child to become more independent, you can help in the following ways:

- ☐ Ensure that ALL of their possessions are named including water bottles, PE kits, jumpers and coats. Encourage them to always put their belongings in the correct place and look for them independently before asking an adult to find something that has been misplaced.
- ☐ Talk to your child about their learning each day and support them in completing any homework where necessary. It is always useful to know how much has been given on any task completed at home.
- ☐ Assist with helping your child to become organised by reminding them of what is needed at school each day. Can they start to get everything ready themselves?
- ☐ Listen to them read, every day if possible, and record this reading in their school Reading Log.
- ☐ Practise spellings and times tables to encourage recall skills.

Staff are here to help!

PE Kit

This term Y3 continue to have their PE sessions at the following times:

Monday – Inside (Seals)
Tuesday – Inside (Sea Lions)
Thursday – Outside (Sea Lions)

Friday – Outside (Seals)
Please make sure that they have all of their kit (including footwear/ jogging bottoms if you wish) in school on these days.

For information on what we will be learning this term, please see the curriculum pages of our website.

<https://www.stnicolasmary.sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Curriculum&pid=35>

Making Appointments

If you need to see your child's class teacher for any reason, please feel free to catch them after school. We can discuss the concern then or make an appointment for another time.

CALLING ALL YOUNG EXPLORERS!

Please encourage your child to undertake their own research into our topic on the Rainforest and to bring in any relevant books or artefacts to share with the class.

