# Year 3 Autumn Newsletter

Welcome back! We are looking forward to a fun, busy year in Year 3. We hope you all had a lovely summer and can't wait to cover lots of interesting learning this Autumn term.

#### Maths

This term in Maths, we will be focusing on place value, ordering numbers and estimating. Using up to three-digit numbers, we will then move onto improving our mental and written addition, subtraction, multiplication and division techniques with opportunities to develop mastery of these skills in problem solving activities. Later this term, we will complete work on measurement, fractions and geometry. We will be continuing with the 2x, 5x and 10x tables and be moving onto our 3x, 4x and 8x tables.

# **English**

This term we are focussing on two novels: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and Anna Hibiscus. We will use these books as stimulus to write both non-fiction and fiction pieces such as instructions, newspaper reports, and setting descriptions. We will also develop our creative writing skills through poetry. We are going to be working hard on our handwriting this year too, moving on to more joins.





### Science



In Science we will begin by learning about food and our bodies. The unit will start with an overview of food groups and how to maintain a balanced diet. Once this knowledge is established, we will move into discussions and experiments to discover how these foods help keep our bodies and skeletons healthy. We will also learn about skeletons within different animals.

# <u>Topic</u>

'Ancient Egypt' is our first topic this year. We are going to learn about the geography of Egypt and the importance of the River Nile. We will also look at the historical impact the Ancient Egyptians have had on modern society, while learning all about life in this era. In Art, we will design our own Egyptian burial mask. In music, we will be focusing on the structure and style of RnB music.





# P.E.

P.E. will take usually place on Monday and Thursday for both 3P and 3H. This term we will develop skills in tag rugby and gymnastics.

# Homework, Spellings and Reading

Homework and Spellings will be set on a Friday. Homework should be returned on Wednesday. Children can also practise their times tables on the Times Table Rockstars app using the logins in their homework books.

Reading books will be changed twice weekly. It is important to read with your child as often as you can, as this will improve their reading confidence and their knowledge of words. Please keep reading diaries in school bags everyday so we can also use them in school.

Thank you so much for your continued support as we start a new year at Maney Hill. If you ever have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to one of our Year 3 team ☺