



### Welcome to the Summer Term in Year 3

Dear Parents and Carers

Please find below some information about the summer term in our class that you may find useful. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch. My email address is [l.johnson202@st-annes-pri.durham.sch.uk](mailto:l.johnson202@st-annes-pri.durham.sch.uk)

- There will be a double lesson of PE each Tuesday for the first half-term. Please allow your child to come to school **dressed in their PE kit** each Tuesday. (They don't need to bring their uniform to school.)
- Homework will be given every Friday (English one week, maths the next). Please also complete **1 item from the creative grid every two weeks**. Homework should be handed in by Wednesday.
- Reading books will come each night and should be in school every day. Accelerated Reader quizzes can be undertaken in school as the children finish their book.
- Spelling lists will be given weekly on a Friday for a test the following Friday. Please help your child to learn their spellings so they are comfortable when doing the tests.
- Times table tests will take place each week on a Tuesday. Tables are learned on an individual basis and any help you can give your child to recall the facts accurately will help to build their confidence. Times Table Rock Stars is an excellent resource <https://play.ttrockstars.com/> and login details are available from us if you would like them. Hit the Button is another great game to help with learning times tables <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> no login required.

This term we will be learning about:

Literacy	Our class book this term is <i>The Night Gardener</i> by The Fan Brothers. Work around this book will include a newspaper report, character descriptions and a recount.
Numeracy	In maths we will be learning formal methods of multiplication (in a column) for 2 digits by 1-digit numbers as well as division using formal methods. We

	will also be studying properties of 2D and 3D shapes, as well as mass and capacity.
Science	In science during the first half- term we will be learning about Animals including humans (nutrition, skeleton & muscles) then in the final half-term, we will learn about Plants -in particular, identifying and describing the functions of different parts of flowering plants; the requirements of plants for life and growth and the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.
PE	During PE lessons in the summer term, we will develop skills in playing netball, rounders and athletics.
Art	In art lessons we will be looking 'sculpture' and 3D abstract artwork.
DT	Our design technology lessons this term will be centred around 'food technology'. We will be sampling different options for sandwich fillings and designing and making our own 'healthy' snack.
History	In history, we will be studying the topic, 'Holidays now and then'. We will be considering how holidays have changed over time from the Victorian era to the present day.
Geography	Our geography this term is a European study. We will be learning about the countries which make up the continent as well as considering climate, landscape and tourism.
Music	In music lessons, we will be playing the ukulele with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression. We will also use and understand musical notations. In addition, we will sing with increasing confidence and control.
RE	In Religious Education, we will be learning what Hindus believe about God and how their beliefs affect their actions. We are hoping, to support their learning in this unit, to visit a Hindu Temple.
Spanish (KS2)	In Spanish lessons, we will recap how to greet each other, count and recall colours in Spanish. We will then learn about different animals and fruits.
Computing	In computing, we will be learning how to keep information private so we can be safe online. We will also be using our iPads to create information posters, leaflets and presentations to share our learning about our summer term topics.

Further information about the curriculum content can be found on our school website.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Johnson & Mrs Colman

