



Welcome back Year 3!

We hope you have had a great Christmas break and are looking forward to the new term.

Reminders:

Birch: Mr Dando and Mrs Beal.

Maple: Miss Jones and Mrs Beasley.

You can contact us by emailing: year3@westfield.staffs.sch.uk

PE days are on Monday and Friday for both classes.



English

During English lessons, our classes will be looking at lots of exciting texts. We will be:

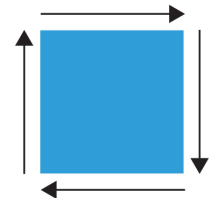
- Writing a persuasive letter to convince people to have robot helpers
- Learning about how to create mystery in a narrative text
- Using our poetry skills to understand 'The Coming of Iron Man'
- Understanding the narrative 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes



Maths

In their maths lessons this term, children will be:

- Using a formal written method to multiply a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number
- Dividing a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number with and without remainders
- Measuring in metres and centimetres
- Calculating perimeter



Reading at home - Accelerated Reader

We are continuing to encourage the children to read their chosen book throughout the week in school and at home. Children will then complete a quiz on their chosen book to assess their understanding.

Times tables

Please continue to use 'Times Table Rockstars' to practise rapid recall of multiplication and division facts.

Spelling

Please practise the Year 1/2 and 3/4 common spelling words from National Curriculum Appendix (please ask your teacher for a list if you are unsure).



Mighty Metals

During this theme, we are going to be finding out about the forces that are used to make things move, including magnetic forces. Through completing a range of investigations, we will be:

- Describing different forces in action (pulling and pushing) and whether the force requires direct contact between objects or whether the force can act at distance (magnetic force)
- Comparing how an object moves over surfaces made from different materials, making predictions and measuring the distance travelled
- Sorting and grouping materials into those that are magnetic and those that are not, the terms magnetic attraction and repulsion correctly

Religious Education

We will compare and contrast symbols of worship in the Christian, Islamic and Sikh religions.



PSHE

Children will decide how to behave responsibly by recognising different risks in a variety of situations.

PE

In our PE lessons, children will be developing their racket skills.



French

We will explore new vocabulary for food and know how to order food politely.

Homework

Try your best to complete at least 2 pieces of homework this half term. Remember to bring your homework in to school so that we can celebrate your hard work in class.

Investigate what happens to tarnished pennies when soaked in vinegar, coke or lemon juice.

Investigate the best surfaces at home for toy cars to travel on.

Research some of the tasks carried out by robots. What tasks could robots do in your house?

Cut and arrange foil shapes to make a collage of the Iron Man.

Imagine... you wake up, and all the metal in the world has vanished! Write a story about your day. How is everyday life different without metal?

Use the internet to find out about a metal of your choice. Make a list of facts.