



**Heathland  
School**

# Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

## Welcome to Year 3

Welcome to year 3, we hope to have a very productive year.

For our Topic learning, in the first half term we will be learning to compare London to Rio de Janeiro. We will be enjoying learning the skills involved with Hakka Dance through our PE lessons, leading up to a Capoeira (Brazilian dance and martial art) workshop for the children. In the second half term, we will learn about the process of how Chocolate is made from cacao seed to the finished treats on our shelves! We will also create our own chocolates, design wrappers for them and learn persuasive techniques on how to advertise a chocolate bar.

In English we will be starting with narrative writing using the story of Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp. This will build our descriptive writing skills when writing adventure stories.

In Maths we will be starting our learning with place value and ordering numbers. After that we will move onto addition and subtraction. We will continue the progress with mental maths skills using the objectives in our Numeracy Passports which are available on our school website.

Our P.E. days are on Monday (indoors) and Thursdays (outdoors), but we ask that P.E. kits remain in school for the whole week. Now that the children are in Year 3, they will have access to changing rooms before and after P.E. Please ensure all P.E kit items are labelled clearly with your child's name and class.

Year 3 children visit the school library once a week to select books that the children can read in class and at home. Please ensure all library books are returned with home learning. We will be sending home a purple Reading Record Book which we hope you will fill in whenever your child reads at home with a class reading book.

To encourage reading for pleasure we will have a focus author whose books we will be reading throughout the year. This year we have chosen Jill Murphy who has written the 'Worst Witch' series.

Home-learning will be given out Thursdays and needs to be returned to school on Tuesdays. Please support your children with this important part of their learning and with its presentation.

Please make sure that all of your child's clothes, P.E. bag, lunchbox, water bottle and any other items are fully labelled.

We will be encouraging the children to maintain a positive attitude by teaching them about 'a growth mindset' which involves focusing on the positives and moving forward as lifelong learners.

Please do remember that you can discuss any concerns that you may have at the end of the day when the class has been dismissed. We look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

Miss Sharma  
(Cedar Class)

Miss Baxter  
(Portia Class)

Mrs Slavcheva  
(Snowbell Class)