



# Heathland School Curriculum Newsletter

**Year 3**

**Term : Spring**

**English :** In English, we will focus on the text 'The Legend of Sally Jones' by Jakob Wegalius. Through the term we will continue to look at punctuation, grammar, vocabulary and spelling leading to the children writing in a variety of genres including persuasive adverts, information leaflets and adventure stories in the style of Jakob Wegalius. In Spring 2, our learning will be based on the book 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit. We will be learning how to use headings and sub-headings to write reports. We will be learning to research facts to create a fact file about Rome. We will be learning how to write our own poems.

**Maths :** In maths, Year 3 will apply their knowledge of addition to work out the perimeter of 2D shapes. They will also learn to accurately use a ruler to construct their own 2D shape with a given perimeter. By the end of year 3, pupils are expected to recall time table facts for multiples of 2, 5, 10; 3, 4 and 8. This term we will practise learning multiplication facts involving all of these. Later, pupils will be taught to apply knowledge of time tables and place value to work out related facts and solve 2-digit by 1-digit multiplication sums. We will also focus on the concept of division and sharing. Encouraging pupils to use what they know to perform inverse operations such as division to check calculation. In Spring 2, pupils will be taught to identify part-whole relationships in different contexts which will support them in recognising fractions, working out fractions of amounts; comparing and identifying equivalence.

## Topics

### Spring 1 :

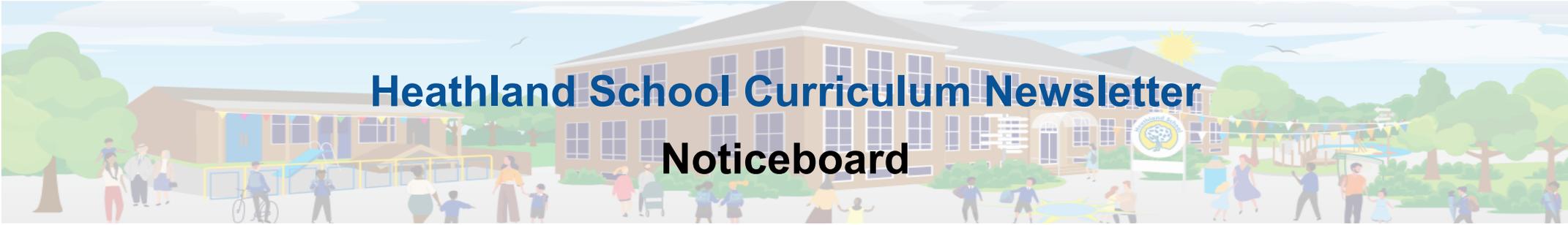
**What is it like to travel around the world?**

### Spring 2 :

**What impact did the Romans have on Britain?**

**Topic :** Our Spring 1 topic is geography based - 'What is it like to travel around the world?' The children will be reading maps and they will learn to discuss about the differing terrains in the UK. They will learn to create their own cities. Children will learn why and how we travel on the London Underground. We will be researching about how the different continents were formed. We will learn to analyse the features of the Sahyadri Mountain Range in India. To explore China we will be cooking a stir fry. In Spring 2, our topic is a History based and we will be learning about where the Romans came from and why they invaded Great Britain. We will examine the Roman infrastructure and its impact on Britain today. We will investigate and report findings about the Iceni tribe and write a biography about Boudicca. We will visit Verulamium Museum.

**PE, PSHE and MindUp :** In PE, Year 3 will learn to develop their skills in fielding and striking, exploring the sports of rounders and cricket. Indoor sessions will focus on learning how to build stamina, build muscle and identify different muscles in the body and exercise to strengthen these muscles. This is a part of health related fitness. We will focus on team building and problem solving for orienteering. In Jigsaw, children will explore their dreams and goals and have opportunities to learn about challenges that people may face. In Mind-up, children will learn mindful senses practices and will later participate in activities to build well-being with a mindful mindset.



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## Noticeboard

### Reminders

#### Water Bottles

We encourage children to bring in a water bottle every day.

#### Snacks for Playtime

Children can bring in a piece of fruit to eat at playtime or something healthy like crackers or cut vegetables.

#### P.E. Days

**Indoor PE:** Monday

**Outdoor PE:** Wednesday

The correct PE kit is: Navy tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirts (fleece black/blue) can be worn outside. Navy-blue shorts, white t-shirt, plimsolls/trainers.

#### Home learning

Home learning and spellings will be sent home on a Friday and will be due in on the following Tuesday. The activities set encourage the children to challenge themselves, and are all linked to their class learning.

### Key Dates this Term

**Wednesday 8th February**-International Day (more info to follow)

**Friday 10th February 2023- 3.00pm finish**—Students' Last Day Before Half Term

**Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February 2023**—Half Term

**Monday 20th February 2023**—Students Return to School

**w/c 20th March:** STEAM Week

**TBC:** Verulamium and Temple Trips (more information to follow)

**Parents Evenings:** Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th March

**Friday 31st March 2023 - 2.00pm finish**—Students' Last Day of Spring Term