



'Being Better Every Day'

Thursday 22nd May 2025

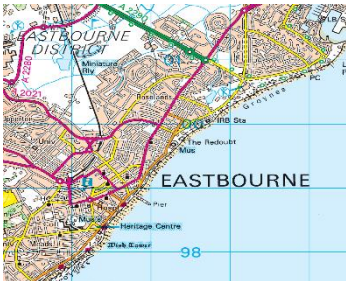
Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter – Term 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next term, we are looking forward to learning all about the geography of the local area. The children did fantastically well learning about our History unit about **'Postcards from the seaside'** and we really hope that they enjoy our next unit of work in the same way.

In **Term 6**, our unit title remains **'Postcards from the Seaside'**, but this term there is a big focus on Geography.

In this unit, we will be learning about geographical regions and how to identify the human and physical characteristics, to use a compass, read a map; give a four-figure grid reference and observe, sketch and record local features. We will also learn to ask geographical questions: where is this location? What do you think about it?



During this unit, your child will attempt to answer the concept question:

Geographically speaking, how can we identify the area we live in by its characteristics?

(We have attached a 'Knowledge Organiser' for this unit, providing an overview of the topic; this should be a useful resource for pupils and parents.)

Home Learning Project

For each unit, we will ask your child to complete a home-learning project. We ask that every child has a go at completing a project that can be brought into school. For this unit, we would like your child to:

- Create a map of their local area e.g.: road or community.
- Carry out a survey e.g.: how many people visit the local park, shop or other building in an hour?
- Draw a sketch of a physical or human feature in their local area.
- Design a treasure hunt in the house, garden or park giving directions.

Here are some websites that may help.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DSnVCV4uGGQ>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UZaTK7B0doE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f2wuyqOrHZ4>

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You may wish your child to come up with their own idea for a home learning project. Your child may wish to complete their project by themselves or need support in completing their project - either is fine and we look forward to seeing them.

Home learning projects should be completed by the **week beginning 7th July 2025**. If you have any questions about the home learning project, please contact your child's class teacher.

Reading

The children have been really enjoying our 'Destination Reader' work in class. We will be starting our new book *Krindlekrax* by Philip Ridley

Homework

Please continue to encourage daily reading with **Accelerated Reader books** and home reading records can be brought in and will be signed once a week.

Reading is the single most important skill that children will learn and we expect every child to read at home every day. In Year 3, we expect every child to read with an adult for a minimum of **15 minutes** every day. Reading takes on many forms and can take place just about anywhere, including the reading of labels and signs, and in magazines and comics. Parents and carers should record the daily reading activity in your child's reading record.

Additionally, we would like the children to be practising their times tables every day for at least **15 minutes**. The children all have an individual account for **Times Table Rock Stars**, which they

can use to support their learning. The aim is for our Year 3 children to know their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables really well by the end of the school year.

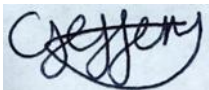
In addition, a menu of homework activities will be sent home, and these activities are optional.

PE

This term, our PE lessons will take place on **WEDNESDAY**. Your child should continue to wear their PE kit to school on this day. As our lessons will be outside, please ensure your child has their Oakwood PE kit and **trainers** for the lessons.

We hope your child will enjoy their final term in Year 3 and we look forward to seeing you after half term.

Yours sincerely,



Miss Jeffery

Year 3 Teacher

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