

# Year 3 Spring Term 2025 Newsletter

Happy New Year and welcome back to a new term in Year 3! Our Autumn term was full of wonderful learning, so we are very excited to get stuck into the Spring term! Here's what we have coming up...

## Writing 📝

This term, our first writing unit will be looking at a traditional tale called 'The Magic Paintbrush' by Julia Donaldson. This book follows the adventures of Shen as she battles an evil Emperor who wants the power of the paintbrush for himself! We will use this book to develop our narrative writing skills. The children will use descriptive language to build a picture in the reader's mind and continue to ensuring we are taking care with written accuracy, no matter the subject.

## Reading 📖

The children are continuing to use the school library to change their reading books. Their reading book can only be changed once they have completed a comprehension quiz about the book on Accelerated Reader. We recommend that the children try and read at least 3 times a week and we ask that this be recorded in their reading diaries.

If any adults would like to volunteer to come into school and listen to our children read, please let us know as this would be wonderful! 😊

## Maths 📊

Maths will continue to focus on multiplication and division, with the children applying their times table facts to a range of mathematical questions and problems. We will then move onto length and perimeter, where we will be measuring, adding, subtracting and comparing. Further into the spring term, we will be learning all about fractions. We will first understand what they are and what they mean before moving onto ordering and comparing them. Finally, we will finish the spring term with a unit on mass and capacity.

The children continue to be set homework on EdShed and are encouraged to keep practising their division and multiplication skills on TimesTablesRockstars. Each week, we celebrate their achievements on TimesTablesRockstars and we are always excited to see who our top three performers are! At the back of their reading diaries,

the children have a specific times table that they should focus on during their practice. Please talk to us if your child would prefer to do their times tables practice on paper rather than via a tablet.

The login details for EdShed and TTRockstars can be found on the back page of their diaries in the notes section.

Maths Shed- <https://www.mathshed.com/en-gb/>

TTRockstars - <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/undefined/password>

### PE 🏆

Our PE days for the Spring 1 half term are Thursdays and Fridays. In our Thursday sessions, our topic is football with Mr Wells. We will be developing dribbling, passing, attacking and defending skills before putting them into practice in games. On Fridays, our topic is dance where we will be practising different styles and movements – including country and western style dance! These lessons will be delivered by the class teacher and Mr Wells.

Please ensure your child wears the correct PE uniform on these days. PE kit should be long, black trousers (jogging bottoms/leggings) or black shorts (weather dependent), a white or blue t-shirt and an outdoor jumper. All jewellery needs to be removed before school on these days and long hair must be tied up. **Earrings must be removed for PE and cannot be covered with plasters.**

### Working together ❤️

We want every child to be the best that they can be and value your continued support. Please continue to use Class Dojo to communicate any non-urgent messages and we will respond as quickly as we can. For urgent messages such as sickness, absences or appointments, we ask you contact the school office. The school office can be contacted either by email ([office@berryhill.notts.sch.uk](mailto:office@berryhill.notts.sch.uk)) or phone, and we endeavour to respond in a timely manner.

🌸 We are all very excited for another fabulous term 🌸

😊 From the Year 3 Team 😊