

Dear Parents,

12th January 2024

I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and a great start to the New Year. I am looking forward to hearing all the children's stories and getting busy with lots of new learning. Please keep checking our class blog where we will continue to document lots of our learning and details of homework tasks.

https://class3-blog.brandesburton.e-riding.sch.uk/

Miss McIntyre

This week we have welcomed Miss McIntyre back from her maternity leave. In class 3, we are lucky to have her working with us at the beginning of the week. This will allow us to work in smaller groups and continue all our fab learning.

Our Topics in School

This term we will be looking at a number of new topics some of which are detailed below.

English – Dilemma Stories, Information Texts, Instructions, Stories	
History - The Romans.	Art – Drawing and Sketching skills
Geography – Settlements	DT – Sewing and Materials
Science – Year 3 – Forces and Magnets	Science – Year 4 – Electricity, Animals and Habitats 🛛 🍡

Guided Reading



Our new text for Guided Reading is called **The Griffin Gate by Vashi Hardy**. Last term some of the children bought their own copy of the text and have talked of buying our new one. If you would like to buy this term's, I have found them cheapest on this site.

https://booksforbugs.co.uk/product/the-griffin-gate/

It is not necessary to buy a copy as we have enough for one between two but I know some of the children like to have their own.

Maths - Plea for Help

Recently, both year groups have been working on multiplication in Maths, in order to fully learn their times tables by heart, the children need to have regular practice at home. Please try to build this into your routine. The children all have access to times table rockstars and purple mash which contain a range of games and <u>www.topmarks.co.uk</u> also includes some fun alternatives.

Reading

I hope you are enjoying the range of reading books that the children are bringing home. I am constantly changing the books on offer to the children in order to really build that love of reading. Please feel free to chat to me if you would like any advice on books your child can read at home.

Please continue to record reading daily in your child's home school record book. We are happy for the children to write down their own reading in their logs and we welcome comments linked to the events in the books. If they are recording independently, please ensure there is an adult signature each week. As a school, we aim for **at least 3 entries each week**. All logs will be looked at **on a Friday**, but we will continue to change reading books any day of the week as long as it is recorded in the log with an adult signature.

<u> PE</u>

This term, Class 3 will be required to come to school in their PE kit on a Tuesday and a Friday

Please contact me if you have any questions or queries, no matter how big or small. Feel free to email or catch me before/after school. I look forward to continue working with you and your child.

Thanks in advance.

Yours sincerely Mrs Altoft