



# Crabtree Farm Primary School

## Spring Term Newsletter

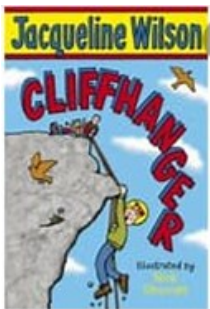
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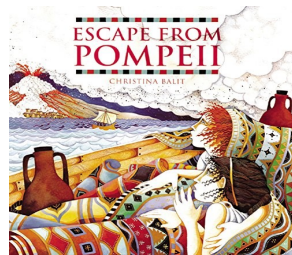
### Year 3 Information

#### English

During this half term, we will be carrying out lots of fun reading and writing activities. We will be writing a report about earthquakes which links closely to our Geography topic this term. We will also be reading *Cliffhanger* by Jacqueline Wilson and using this book for our guided reading sessions.



After half term we will be reading *Escape to Pompeii* and *Fatal Fire* by Terry Deary and will be writing our own exciting versions of *Escape from Pompeii*.



Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely break. We look forward to learning lots in Year 3 this term!

#### Extreme Earth

In geography we will be learning all about volcanos, tornados and earthquakes. We will be finding out what causes earthquakes, volcanos and tornados and how these natural disasters affect peoples lives.



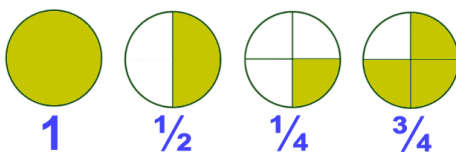
#### Were all the Romans really rotten?

After half term, we will be starting our exciting topic about the **Romans**. We will be learning about what the Romans did for entertainment and where they lived. We will also be investigating the discoveries of archaeologists!

#### Maths

This term in maths we will be focusing on:

**Multiplication & Division, Length & Perimeter, Mass & Capacity and Fractions.**



In addition to the above, we will continue to focus on learning our times tables. Please keep practising your tables and use **TT Rock Stars** to help you.

#### Science

In science, we will be looking at **Forces and Magnets**. We will be investigating how magnets work and how they can be used. After half term we will be studying **Plant Life-cycles** and discovering what plants need to survive.

#### RSE

This term in RSE we will be looking at personal space.

**RSE book recommendation: Lets Grow with Nisha and Joe.**



## School Trips

We appreciate that many of you like to plan for the cost of school trips in advance, so please see below the trip and in school experiences we have planned for the rest of the year. Please be aware that it may be subject to change nearer the time.

### Summer Term

#### **Rand Farm Residential:**

9th-11th June £110 per child.

**Rand Farm Day Trip:** 9th June (approx. £25)



## Dates for your diary

Wednesday 22nd January Parent/Carer Open Afternoon  
1.30pm - 6pm

3rd - 7th February Wellbeing Week

Tuesday 11th February Safer Internet Day

Friday 14th February Last day of half term

Monday 24th February First day of half term

Monday 3rd March Stay and Read

Thursday 6th March World Book day

10th - 14th March British Science Week

Friday 21st March Red Nose day

Monday 24th March World Maths Day

Thursday 27th March Spring Disco 5pm-6.30pm

Wednesday 2nd April Parent/Carer Open Afternoon  
1.30pm - 6pm

Friday 4th April Last day of term

Monday 21st April Bank Holiday

Tuesday 22nd April First day of summer term

## Homework and Reading Books

Your child will be given a reading book which can be changed every Monday. It would be wonderful if you could read with your child at **least five times a week**. When you sign their organiser after reading, they will move up our class reading chart and earn prizes as they go. It is very important that your child brings their reading books into school **everyday**.

**Each week, we will give the children a piece of maths and English homework.** This will be based around the work that we are doing in class. Your child has their log-in details to access the reading lessons we set on Reading Eggs in their reading organisers. We will be monitoring when these tasks are completed. **If you have any issues accessing the online homework, please come and speak to one of the Year 3 team.**

## Questions and Issues

If you have any questions or issues with any aspect of your child's school life, please let us know. The best time to speak to Mrs Shipley or Mr White is at the end of the school day as they see out their classes.

If you wish to see the class teacher in the morning, please speak to whoever is on the door and they can pass a message on or arrange an appointment for you.



## Diversity Calendar

This term as part of our whole school diversity calendar we will be learning about:

- Martin Luther-King
- Luna New Year
- Lent (Christianity)
- Holi (Hindu and Sikh)
- International Women's Day
- National Autism Day
- Vikram Samvat (Hindu New Year)
- Ramadan (Islam)
- Easter (Christian)



## P.E

**Did you know... a good nights sleep helps children's mental, physical, social and emotional development.**

This half term, PE will be on a **Monday**. We will be learning lots of ball skills, throwing and catching skills and how to participate in team games. We will also be learning some new dance skills.

Just to remind you that the children need to wear their PE kits all day on PE days. **This PE kit is a school polo shirt, school jumper or cardigan, black jogging bottoms or leggings and trainers. No earrings to be worn.**

## DT Project

We will be designing and making a pop-up story book for them to read to a child in Early Years at story time.