



Class Brazil Termly Newsletter

Autumn Term 2018



Class News

We hope that you all had a lovely summer. Welcome to Class Brazil, who are busy settling into life as Year 3 and 4 - getting to know more about each other and our class identity. This year, Mr Divers will teach the class alongside our fabulous teaching assistant Miss Crosby. Mrs Woods and Mrs Dillon will also cover Mr Divers' NQT/planning time on Monday and Thursday afternoons. If you have any questions, please speak to Mr Divers or Miss Crosby before or after school. As always, we welcome voluntary help so please speak to Mr Divers if you could spare some time to help with our class. Also, if you or your relatives or friends have visited Brazil would like to share this with the class, please let us know. Alternatively, if you have any books or artefacts connected with prehistoric ages, we'd love to borrow them!

Physical Education

This term PE will take place on a Tuesday and Friday, however having the correct kit available in school throughout the week is essential. If your child is unable to take part in a PE activity, please send a note into school. Unless circumstances dictate, children will still be expected to change into their PE kit and participate as non-physical performer. This may include observing, assessing, providing feedback, officiating or using ICT to capture images within the lesson. If children forget all or part of their PE kit a polite note will be recorded in their reading diaries.

Maths

Knowing and understanding the times tables is an essential skill. Year 3 expectations are 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10 and Year 4 times table expectations are 2-12x. Keep an eye out for more information on 'Times Tables Rock Stars'. Please have conversations about maths in everyday life e.g. shopping and reading an analogue and digital clock. To support your children with Maths homework, please ask the children about the method that they have been learning (or ask a member of the class staff).

Homework

Year 3 English, maths and reading homework will be handed out alternately each Friday, to be handed in on the following Thursday.

If children are unable to complete their homework tasks, please inform a member of the class Brazil staff on a Monday so we can help with any problem areas.

Reading

Please try to read regularly with your child; filling in their reading records at least 5 times a week. Regular, varied reading not only helps develop reading skills but also has a positive impact on writing standards, spelling, knowledge of grammar rules and most importantly imagination.



I hope you find this information useful. I will be available on the playground before and after school each day. Please do not hesitate to catch me if you have any questions.

Best Wishes,

Mr Divers