Teachers: Miss Basi

TAs: Mrs Sanghara

School value:

Our school value for this half term is RESPECT. Circle time sessions will give the children the chance to explore our value.

Welcome Back!

Welcome back everyone! We hope you had a lovely half term break. Last half term, the children produced some fantastic outcomes such as their art outcomes inspired by The Stone Age and their fantastic narratives which created such a vivid image for the reader.

If you wish to speak to me please do catch me at the end of the day, or please book an appointment to see me with the school office. You can also contact me via email. My email address is: <u>sbasi@inspirerockliffe.co.uk</u>

Year 3's learning this half term:

This term, Year 3 will be continuing to focus on Sustainable Development. The children will explore this through their core text for this half term 'Greta's story', which explores the issue of climate change and peaceful protests for change. This great book is about a young girl who has actively fought for climate change. Their global learning will have a geography focus this half term, with the children continuing to learn about the stone age, but focus on case studies in areas of the UK. They will



be exploring and researching what life was like during this time period, how things have changed and what impact the Stone Age had on our lives today.

English: In English, the children will be exploring their new core text 'Greta's story' through a variety of role play activities such as hot seating and freeze frames. They will focus on their non-fiction style of writing through a persuasive speech. They will perform their speeches to others!

Maths: The children will then move onto a new topic of addition and subtraction, using a range of methods and concrete resources. The children will be learning the column method to solve addition and subtraction questions up to 3-digit numbers. They will then begin to explore their times tables.

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Science: Our science topic this half term is, 'Animals including humans'. The children will begin by exploring the human skeleton. They will be able to identify the different bones in the body and discuss the importance of our bones. We will then explore and test our lung capacity. We will also be identifying the different food groups and what our bodies need to be healthy.

Art: The children will be inspired by the topic of the climate change to explore art by the artist Jill Pelto including considering perspective in art and using water colours to paint forest fires.

PE: Over the half term, the children will be developing their dance skills via expressing their emotions musically in the style of the ocean.

General Information

PE: Please ensure that children bring their PE kits in on PE days. Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday.

Reading Records: Please ensure children bring in their reading record books daily so that we will be able to see any reading your child has done.

Water bottles: Please ensure your child brings a clean, suitable water bottle into class with their name on.

Times Tables: At the beginning of year 3 we will be looking to consolidate the children's knowledge of their 2, 4, 5 and 10 times tables, it would be really beneficial for your children to be practising these at home.

<u>Reading</u>

We will do whole class reading **every day**. Each group will read once a week with the class teacher. The children will change their home reading books on a given day, this day will be written in their Reading Record book. Children will choose a suitable reading book to take home from our book corner.

Please try to read with your child every day at home for ten minutes. Please feel free to give feedback about how they got on, or the difficulty level of the banded reading book. We appreciate all parental feedback.

It has been so lovely to see so many children reading with parents at home and earning their reading certificates. Please continue to read at home with your child.

Dates for the Diary

Parents Evening: Tuesday 15th November & Wednesday 16th November. Year 3 and 4 trip to cinema: 17th November/ Children in Need PJ day: 18th November. Inset day: Friday 25th November.