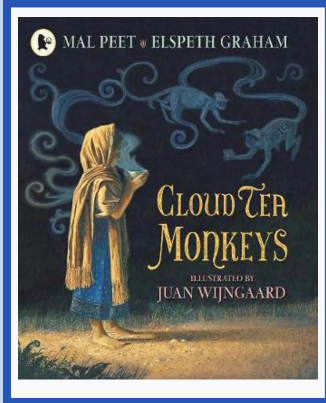


# Year 3 Spring 2 Learning Bulletin

Welcome back! We are looking forward to another full half term packed with new learning.



## Writing

Our text will be: Cloud Tea Monkeys

Our writing outcomes will be:

A persuasive letter and a persuasive advert

Key Knowledge:

Verbs, rhetorical questions, bullet points, present perfect, adjectives, prepositional language, imperative verbs, alliteration

Spelling Rules:

Words with a /k/ spelt 'ch' eg. scheme

Homophones and near homophones eg. grown & groan

Prefix 'bi' and 're' eg. bicycle and reappear

Words ending 'gue' and 'que' eg. league and fatigue

## Maths

Topic: Fractions/Mass and Capacity

denominators, numerators and comparing. Whole, non-unit fractions, fractions on number lines and equivalent fractions.

Topic: Mass and Capacity

mass - g, kg, equivalent, comparing

capacity - ml, l, equivalent, comparing, adding and subtracting

## Maths Vocabulary

equal parts, whole, fraction, whole, numerator, denominator, vinculum, unit/non unit fractions, equivalent

mass, scale, gram (g), kilogram (kg),

capacity, equivalent, millilitres (ml), litres (l)

**Science:** *Our topic of animals (including humans)*

*continues with focus on bones and muscles.*

### Key Knowledge:

- Know that humans and some other animals have **skeletons** and **muscles** for **support**, **protection**, and **movement**.
- Know the names and functions of key bones (e.g. **skull**, **ribs**, **spine**) and understand how **joints** allow movement.
- Know the difference between an endo and exoskeleton
- Know that **muscles work in pairs** to move bones by **contracting and relaxing**.

### Key Vocabulary:

skeleton, bones, muscles, joints, ribs, spine, skull, endoskeleton, exoskeleton, contract, relax, protect

## History

Stories from the Seas - The Tudors

### Key Knowledge:

- London was very different during the Tudor period (revisit Y2 learning)
- Tudors travelled around the world (seafaring) to find new items to sell or new land
- Tudor explorers travelled in ships that relied on wind. The living conditions aboard were terrible.
- other powerful countries tried to invade Britain, like the Spanish Armada, but failed due to Britain being an island (two lessons)

**Key Vocabulary:** explorer, voyage, reign, trade, pirate, invasion, battle, navy, scurvy and galleon

## PSHE - Healthy Me

### Key Knowledge:

- Know how exercise affects my body and know why my heart and lungs are such important organs and how the food I put into my body can affect my health.
- Know how to identify things (including medicines and unfamiliar substances) that are not suitable for children or could be harmful.
- Know people and places that I need to keep safe from, and can tell you some strategies for keeping myself safe including who to go to for help.
- Know how to identify when something feels safe or unsafe.
- Know how complex my body is and how important it is to take care of it (including strategies to take care of my mental health)

**Key Vocabulary:** oxygen, energy, heartbeat, lungs, heart, fitness, labels, energy, fuel, advice, harmful, risk, complex, appreciate

## RE - Humanism/Sikhism

### Key knowledge:

- Describing, hows and whys: festival of Vaisakhi. That humanists celebrate birthdays, weddings (and funerals).
- Charles Darwin is a significant person for Humanists.
- Some Humanists celebrate Darwin Day. Compare how Sikhs and Humanists celebrate festivals

**Key Vocabulary:** Vaisakhi, Charles Darwin, significant

## DT - Books with Moving Parts

### Key knowledge:

- To investigate and evaluate products with lever and linkage systems.
- To experiment with a range of techniques to create moving mechanisms.

### Key Vocabulary:

lever, pop up, pivot, rotate, concertina, window

## Music: Latin Dance

Following their introduction to Latin music last term, pupils will continue to explore salsa and Cuban musical styles this term.

They will create a class arrangement using both tuned and untuned percussion, combining rhythm, singing and movement into a whole-class performance.

Pupils will also learn more about the distinctive features of Cuban music and apply some of these characteristics into their own arrangement.

## French: Bonjour

### Key Knowledge:

- Pets
- Numbers to 20
- Give someone's name
- Descriptions

### Key Vocabulary:

j'ai  
je n'ai pas  
il/elle s'appelle  
il/elle est

## PE

### Throwing and Catching

Overarm, Underarm, one handed, two handed, static/dynamic skills, bench ball, generic ball games

### Invasion

Sending (throwing), receiving (catching), attack and defence (when & where)

### Multi-skills

Refinement (when & where to move), dynamic balance, landing, moving to music, simultaneous

### Striking

Forehand / backhand / side strike/serve / overhead/ volley

### Key Dates:

**Friday 6th March:** Book Day (dressing up)

**Tuesday 17th March:** Family meetings 3.30pm to 7.00pm

**Thursday 19th March:** Family meetings 3.30pm to 6.30pm

**Friday 27th March:** Term finishes 1.30pm

### Key Information:

PE (indoor) : Tuesday

**Change of PE day (outdoor): Monday**

### Suggested Books to Read:

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/year-3/>  
Recommended read

Power Maths Books

### Suggested places to visit or activities to do:

- Science Museum
- Natural History Museum
- Greenwich Maritime Museum
- Cooking together to support learning about food labels in science and measuring in maths

### Useful websites to support learning:

<https://uk.ixl.com/maths/year-3>

[https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks2/maths/maths\\_quizzes](https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks2/maths/maths_quizzes)

[https://www.spellzone.com/word\\_lists/index.cfm](https://www.spellzone.com/word_lists/index.cfm)  
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