

Year 3

Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2023



Mustard

Welcome to the start of a very exciting year for everyone at CtS. We hope you all had a restful summer. Mustard have made a fantastic start and all the adults are looking forward to all the exciting learning we will be doing this term. Mrs Wilson-Andoh and Mrs Mamujee, along with Miss Nugent will be teaching Mustard this term.

We start the term with our History topic of 'Stones and Bones' followed by our Geography unit of 'Travel Agent' which explores Milton Keynes and key cities in the UK in the second half.

We have also started learning about our year group value– Forgiveness. Year 3 will become experts in forgiveness. We will continue to focus on this value throughout the year and how it relates to our school ethos of CARE.

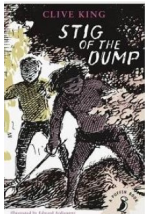
Please ensure your child has a named water bottle and a named waterproof coat in school each day. Do feel free to come and speak to us anytime should you have any queries.

English



character descriptions.

Our English units will take inspiration from key texts this term. For the first half term we will be using 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes as a focus for writing



After half term, we will continue to write character and setting descriptions using 'Stig of the Dump' by Clive King.

P.E

PE this year will be on a Monday, so children should come to school wearing the correct PE kit: white t-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms and a black hoodie and sports

Personal, Social, Health and Emotional Development

In PSHE this half term we will be looking at friendships and relationships

Home Learning

We ask all children to complete the following tasks each week:

- **Reading** - Children should aim to read for five minutes every day and log this in their reading journals. Twice a week, children should complete a longer response to their reading.
- **Times tables** - Children should complete their 5 weekly garage games on Times Table Rockstars.
- **Maths** - Children will be bringing home a maths homework sheet in their homework folders every Friday. We will mark homework together on Thursdays.
- **Spellings** - Children will receive new spelling lists on a Monday to take home and learn. These will be tested on the Friday.
- **English/Topic** - Children will be bringing home a task each week linked to their topic or English unit.

Library

Library day Mustard will be Fridays, please could all children bring their library books in to be able to change them.

Mathematics

In Maths, we will begin by focusing on number and place value, moving onto written methods for all 4 operations including reasoning and problem solving. We will also be focusing on securing accuracy of times tables.

Fluency target this term:

- To know number bonds of 10 upto 100
- To know the sums and differences of multiples of 10 up to 100.
- To confidently and quickly recall 4 and 8 times tables.

Religious Education

The overarching key question for the first half term is: *What do Muslims believe about God and where did Islam start?*

Science

In Autumn 1, we will be learning about Rocks and fossilisation. We will then move onto Forces and Magnets in Autumn 2.