

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you all had a happy and relaxing time over the half term holiday. Here are the details of the topics we will be learning about in year 3 this term. We follow a "Creative Curriculum" at Northside. This means that we teach the subjects through a cross-curricular topic. We try to incorporate as many subjects as possible but will also be

teaching some subjects separately if this seems more appropriate. This term our topic is



The Victorians

Literacy/History: We will continue to base some of our work around *Oliver Twist* where the children will create their own newspaper report. We will also start our new class novel, *Tom's Midnight Garden* where the children will be creating 'story boxes' and their own 'graphic novels'. Towards the end of the

term the children will use the internet and library for research on the Victorians; enabling them to create non-chronological reports.

Numeracy: This term we will be focusing on Measurement and Statistics. The children will learn to understand the value of money as well as comparing, adding and subtracting different amounts. What is more, they will learn to interpret and represent data using tables, bar charts and pictograms. Towards the end of the term we will be looking at length and perimeter.

Science: Our topic this term is *Animals Including Humans*. We will be learning about the function of our skeleton, muscles and joints along with comparing animals with and without a skeleton.

Homework is given out on Fridays. Homework books should be handed in on the following Wednesday.

British Values: As advised by the government, schools are now required to promote the following British values:

- Tolerance
- Democracy
- The Rule of Law
- Individual Liberty
- Mutual Respect

This term, we will be looking at **individual liberty**, where we focus on and discuss the rights of a child.

What you can do to help:

- Help your child learn their times tables and division facts (x2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 & 10). You could do this by quizzing them regularly. This website has lots of fun times tables games: <http://www.topmarks.co.uk>
- Encourage your children to do their homework and hand it on Wednesday (or earlier) – all homework tasks need to be completed!
- Ensure PE kits are in school at all times-black shorts, white t-shirt and plimsolls or trainers.
- We will visit the library every Wednesday - please remind your children to bring in their books.
- Read with your child or encourage them to read at least 3 times a week and help them develop a love of books.

As always, if you would like to know more about what we are doing or you have any questions about your child's work, please make an appointment to see me after school. If you are able to support our topic in any way please let me know.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Millwood, Year 3 Class Teacher

