

# Class 3 Learning Snapshot

## Spring 1- 2026

### ENGLISH

This term, the children will be reading and exploring 'Shackleton's Journey' by William Grill. We will be learning about famous explorer Ernest Shackleton's expeditions to the Antarctic in order to create a chronological report about his voyages and his life. The children will be developing their use of non-fiction devices such as headings and subheadings and will continue to develop the use of fronted adverbials and subordinate clauses.



### MATHS

This half term, both year groups will focus on multiplication and division. The children will be learning written methods to multiply and divide 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers. All children have a TT Rockstars login so they can practise at home. (Logins can be found in the back of reading diaries). **Year 4 children have their statutory Times Tables Check in June**, so regular weekly practice is especially important.



### Parents as partners

Here are a few suggestions on how you can support your child's learning further.

#### Reading

Reading at home is vital. Please make sure you comment and sign your child's reading diary.

#### Useful Websites/Apps

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school>  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z97rdnb#z8x9qyc>

#### Homework

Homework consists of maths and spellings. This is sent out on Friday and should be returned on Thursday. Spelling tests are every Friday.

### Class Information

- Our Swimming day is Thursday, and our PE days is Friday. Children need to come to school in their PE kit on these days.
- Book bags and reading diaries should be in school everyday.
- Waterproof coat to be in school everyday.

### Information for this half term

- Class 3 will be visiting Bestwood Environmental Education Centre on **Wednesday 21st January** to take part in an immersive Roman day. If you haven't already, please could you complete the trip form as soon as possible.
- If you are available to support us on this trip, please could you let me know.

Subject	Key Knowledge theme
Science	States of matter
Design and technology	Cooking and nutrition
Music	Body and tuned percussion: Rainforests
RE	Pilgrimages
Computing	Programming
PE	Swimming and invasion games
Geography	Water pollution
PSHE	How do we show respect?