

Year Three



Parent Event Handout

Main Topics

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Science	Forces and Magnets	Animals & Humans	Plants
Humanities	Stone Age and Iron Age	Mayan Culture	Romans

The most helpful things that you can do to help your child with their learning at home are:

* **Times table practise** (apps, online games, you tube times tables videos).

- The Year 3 children **MUST** know their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables.

- They must know these fluently & quickly and without using their fingers. The only way to get to this stage is to recite, write, chant and be tested on these daily – we recommend 10 minutes a day. A good app is called **Times Table Rockstars**

* **Spellings** (Year 3-4 spelling list attached). All children are expected to know these (and also other words that follow similar spelling patterns). Testing, covering, writing, checking spellings will all help, as will 'breaking down' the word into manageable chunks to learn. Lots of apps and online games are available too (just make sure that you are playing 'UK spelling' games and not 'USA spelling' games. A good app is called **The Spelling Shed**

* **Guided Reading Questions.** All children practise 'comprehension' once a week when they are tested in their understanding of books and texts. Try asking some "guided reading questions" (use those attached to see the types of questions we use in school) every time you read with your child.

* It is a proven, researched fact that children with **strong reading skills** go on to achieve better in ALL subjects (even maths, science etc.) and are more likely to get a good job when they are older. We would like all of our children to read at home every day with an adult and for the adult to ask them questions as they read!