

Dates for your diary!

Monday 30th January—E-Safety
parent workshop at St.Mary's
6.30-7.30pm

Week of 6th February—British
Values Week in school

Friday 10th February - End of half
term 3.30pm

Monday 20th February—start of
term and first swimming lesson for
Y3. Swim kits needed on the day.
There will be a separate letter to
follow nearer the time with more
information.

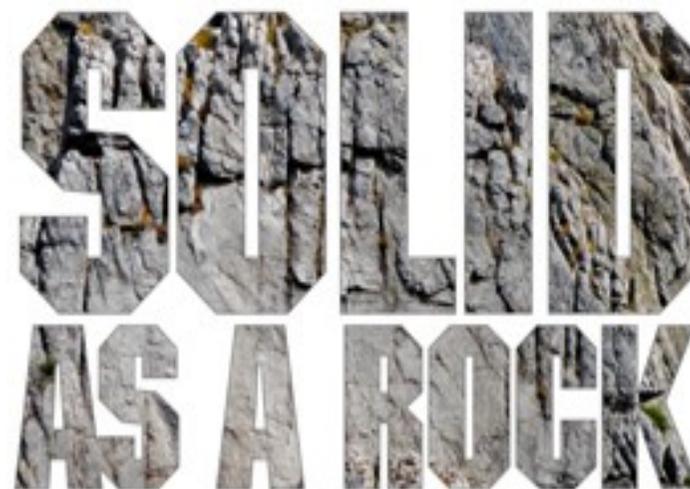
If you have any questions please
don't hesitate to get in touch.

With best wishes,

Mrs Ash, Mrs Crook, Mrs Gifford,
and Mrs Tattersall.

Year 3

Our topic is



Spring Term 1 2017

Please turn over to find out some of the
things we will be doing in our class.

Class News

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas. First of all I would like to thank you on behalf of all the staff in Year 3 for the cards, gifts and festive wishes.

PE will continue to be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please can children have a full PE kit in school to be able to fully take part in PE activities.

Many thanks for supporting the children with their spellings, times tables and weekly homework. The children are increasing in confidence and independence in their work.

Just a reminder that there is a homework club during Friday lunchtimes for children to go to if they would rather complete or make a start on homework ahead of the weekend.

Please could adults ensure that reading diaries are signed so that staff know children have finished their books. Although there are no set days for changing books, the expectation is that children swap a book at least once a week to ensure they are continually developing their reading skills across a wide range of texts.

If you have any questions then please don't hesitate to ask. With best wishes **Mrs Ash**

Topic theme 'Solid as a rock'

In this exciting topic we will study what Britain was like after the ice age and research Stonehenge- How was it built? Where is it? Were there any other significant buildings created about the same time? We will also investigate earthquakes and volcanoes—what are they? Why do they happen? How do they affect the landscape and human activity?

Science

Our Science focus this half term is material properties—rocks. We will compare and group together different types of rocks on the basis of their appearance and physical properties. We will describe how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock. The children will also investigate the differences between rocks and soils.

RE

In R.E. our unit of study is 'Called by God' and 'Jesus the man who changed lives', The children will consider what it means to be called by God and responses people have made to that call. We will also explore the impact Jesus has had on people's lives.

English and Maths

In these lessons we will continue to build on all the hard work and progress so far this year; taking your child's learning and knowledge onto the next level.

English

We will focus on poetry (in particular poems on a theme) and a non-fiction writing focus of recount linking this in with our topic by finding out about Mary Anning, the British fossil collector. Homework will continue to develop understanding of grammar rules to support writing.

Maths

We will continue our focus on place value to support working out calculations using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also study fractions, measures and data involving volume, capacity and mass.