



The Glapton Academy

Year 3 Newsletter

Summer Term 2 - 2022



Topic

Our topic this half term is Marvellous Medicine. We will be using our investigating skills to find out where our food comes from. We will also be exploring the wide range of fruits and vegetables that are available for us to consume. Using this knowledge of fruits and vegetables we will be creating our very own recipes for smoothies. After a trip to the Loughborough Food Market we will follow our recipes to create delicious smoothies! At the end of this project we will evaluate our designs to discover what we could do differently next time.



Book recommendation

As we are reading George's Marvellous Medicine this half term, we recommend that the children read some other books by Roald Dahl.

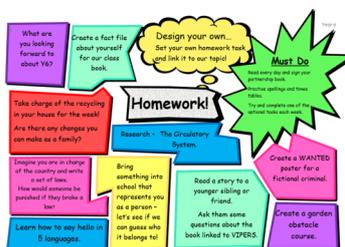
There are lots to choose from but here are some ideas:

- Matilda
- James and the Giant Peach
- BFG
- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
- Fantastic Mr Fox
- Danny the Champion of the World

Homework

All children will be given homework every Friday. This must be completed and handed in by the following Thursday. Homework will either be an opportunity for children to ask questions about their learning, or a consolidation of learning that has taken place in school. We will also provide a homework menu, which will cover a range of different subjects and skills.

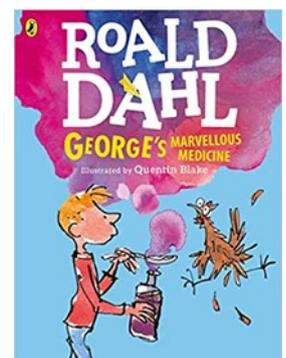
Children can choose as many additional tasks as they like to fit in with their busy schedules at home.



English

In terms of our reading this half term, we will be continuing to develop our skills of vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summarising, with a particular focus on explanation and summarising. We will do this through our VIPERS sessions, where children are given a chance to explore and analyse different texts.

In English, we will be working towards producing a piece of free verse poetry, instructions and a biography, all of which will be inspired by the book 'George's Marvellous Medicine' by Roald Dahl.



Maths

In Maths this half term, children will be continuing to develop their understanding of time, as well as exploring geometry and measurement. We will be looking at telling the time to five and 1 minute and calculating the duration of events. We will be identifying and drawing a wide variety of shapes and investing angles. We will also be comparing mass, volume and capacity.

We will continue with our big push on times-tables, as these form an important basis for many areas of the maths curriculum. Please encourage your child to access Times Tables Rock Stars as often as possible to support them with this essential knowledge. The children's usernames can be found in their Partnership books.



Maths Vocabulary

Minute
Hour
Polygons
Parallel
2-D & 3-D shapes
Angles
Mass
Volume
Capacity

Library

Our library day is Thursday. Please bring books so we can change them.

Partnership Books

This term we will be continuing to use our reading reward system. Each class will become 'Reading Rocketeers' aiming to get to 'space' (200 reads) by the end of the academic year. Children are encouraged to read at home every day and to make a note in their partnership book each time. After every 20 reads, they will get one step closer to space and will be rewarded with a token which they can 'spend' on prizes and, of course, books!



Spellings

All children will be given spelling words to learn each Friday.

These should be practised at home as often as possible and different words with the same spelling pattern will be tested in school

PE

Our PE days will be a **Monday and Thursday** this half term.

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit clearly labelled with their name. Earrings must be removed for this day.

PE kit consists of:

Plain white t-shirt
Black shorts
Trainers (outside)
Plimsolls (inside)

Dates for your diary

Morning of 20th June - KS2 Sports Day—**PE kit required**

1st July - Enterprise Day

5th July - Parent/Carer Drop-in Session

8th July - Children's Topic Week

27th July - Children break up for the summer holiday

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your children this half term.

*Miss Butler and
Miss Croft*