



St Richard's CE Primary School

Summer Term – First half



Year 3 Cedar Class – April 2026

We hope the Easter break brought plenty of rest and quality time with family. It has been a joy welcoming the children back. There is much to look forward to this term, with plenty of learning experiences, exciting activities, and a number of trips.

The Year 3 Team

### Dates for your diary:

#### **APRIL**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Spring Term Begins

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> – Trip to Kew Gardens

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Day of Hope

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> - Careers week

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>- Class Photos

#### **MAY**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – Bank holiday

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Mental Health Awareness Week

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> – END OF TERM

#### **JUNE**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Trip to British film institutes

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>- Year 3 sleep over

### **What we are learning about this half term:**

#### **English:**

The next book we will be looking at is Flotsam by David Weisner. This book has no words in it to tell the story, only pictures. Everyone who reads the book will have different thoughts and opinions about the characters, events and places, so you can really let your imagination go wild!

#### **Maths:**

Learn multiplication facts for the 4 and 8 times tables.

Column subtraction - writing one number underneath the other, using place value to sort the tens and ones in separate columns.

#### **RE:**

Exploring Hinduism

### **TOPIC:**

**Science:** Plants – Identifying and naming the different parts.

**History:** Ancient Egypt – Pharaohs, Gods, temples and hieroglyphics.

**Computing:** Coding

**Music:** Singing techniques

### **Reading:**

Pupils are expected to read at home **every day** for at least 10 minutes, **preferably aloud with an adult.**

Pupils will take home a book from the school library to read at home but must bring this book into school each day for reading at school. Books will be changed once they have been read.

### **Homework:**

- Weekly tasks **assigned on Friday, due in by following Friday:**
  - Spelling word practice (on [Ed Shed](#)), Maths homework (on [Maths.co](#))
- **Creative home learning – assigned half-termly**
- **Daily times tables practice available** – log ins to Times Tables Rock Stars provided.

### **Class Trips and Visitors in School:**

**16<sup>th</sup> April- Kew gardens**

**2<sup>nd</sup> June – British film institutes**



### **Healthy snack at breaktimes**

Children are welcome to bring in a piece of fruit or healthy snack in at break times. Please remember we are a nut free school. Please ensure your child also has a refillable water bottle which is labelled.

### **Parent/adult helpers**

If you would be interested in helping out on any trips this year, please let me know.

### **Summary: (Swimming / PE day etc.)**

**Monday:** Service at church with Simon

**Tuesday:** PE with Mr D  
(Children to come to school in PE kit and shoes)

**Wednesday:** Swimming (afternoon)

### **Staff in class:**

- Mrs Aggie (Agnieszka Szczepanik)
- Mrs Jenny Kotecha (Mon-Thurs)
- Mrs Catherine Trimby (Fri)

### **How you can help your child at home:**

- **Please read aloud with your child daily**, and share your enthusiasm for reading!
- **Times Tables** – Keep regularly practising times tables at home.
- Help develop independence and responsibility – when struggling with emotions, pupils should be encouraged to use known strategies from PATHS /PSHE to help calm (breathing, grounding, drawing, exercise, etc) as well as problem solve
- Work on active listening (eye contact and expecting a response) as well as clear communication.

