

Our Year 3 Term 1 2015 Family Learning Journey is:

# Bright Sparks

## Learning Overview

Welcome to Year 3. Our learning this term will follow the theme of electricity.

Firstly we will learn about the importance of being safe with electricity and will design our own safety posters. We will explore electricity and how it works, using wires, bulbs, switches and batteries to explore how circuits work. We will use magnets to learn about attraction and repulsion.

We will explore the real story of the 3 little pigs and hear the wolf's version of events. We will then create a newspaper report based on his story.

In Design Technology we will make a house for the 3 little pigs and incorporate electrical components.

In Art we will complete observational drawings using sketch pencils and explore light using pastels.

In History we will learn how people lived without electricity and research inventors such as Thomas Edison.



## English and Mathematics

Children will continue to work in their Read Write Inc or Literacy and Language groups: learning sounds, blending, reading and responding to texts. They will learn how to use inverted commas in their writing.

In Numeracy we will explore patterns in number, become fluent in number bonds to 10 and 20, recognise doubles and halves of numbers, learn how to group in tens and hundreds and explore the value of each digit in two and three digit numbers.

## Helping your child at home and school

Electricity web sites:-

<http://www.switchedonkids.org.uk>

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2)

Please continue to use your mathematics and reading eggs logins from last year.

P.E days are Tuesdays and Thursdays for both classes in Year 3.

Homework will be sent out this week and needs to be returned to school by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October. Children can choose which tasks they would like to complete. Different tasks are worth different amounts of points and we request that in order to successfully complete the termly homework your child should earn 25 points.

Your child will receive a reading diary and a reading book which will be changed weekly. We would like you to record every time you have heard your child read and include comments on how well they have managed or any difficulties they may have had. Please ensure their reading book is in school every day.