

Year 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have had an enjoyable half term break. We have been impressed with the Science 'presentations' that the children have compiled during their time with you. We look forward to hearing/reading their findings within the next couple of weeks. In Year 3, we are trialing a new way of teaching Science and the Foundation subjects as a 'block' of sessions rather than the 'once a week' approach. We hope that this will embed the learning at a deeper level for the children and broaden their enthusiasm. We are starting with Geography as we had begun some related teaching before the half-term break. We will then move onto Science, PSHE and RE.

This week in English, we have begun reading '*The Iron Man*' by Ted Hughes. As this is our immersion week, we have explored the start of the text through drama, looking at calligrams as a method of emphasis and have written our own similes to describe the physical appearance of the main character.

In Maths, we have used our understanding of number bonds to extend their application into addition and subtraction (mentally). We have also worked on solving calculations with 'missing' numbers (e.g. $_____ - 8 = 375$ and $_____ + 4 = 402$) as well as applying to problems in context.

Year Three Team ☺

Homework

Maths

Your child should have brought home their login details for Mathletics to enable them to complete their online homework. Please let us know if you encounter any problems in accessing this.

Times tables: Please continue to practice the times tables to 12, ensuring that your child learns the division facts as well.

The 'order' for learning is as follows:

(Yr 2) 2,10,5 (Yr 3) 3, 4, 8 (Yr 4) 6,7,9,11,12



Dates & Reminders

Photos – these need to be returned to class teachers by Monday 5th November.

You may have received a questionnaire from the University of Surrey (Rowan and Elm classes only). We would be grateful if these could be completed asap.

Announcements

We have asked for a letter of consent regarding a future trip to the Natural History Museum to be re-sent to you via ParentPay. If you do not receive this, please ask us for a paper copy.

Generic Consent forms were sent out on Tuesday. Please note that these are double-sided and need to be returned asap.