Weekly News - Friday 16th November 2018

Year 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

In English this week, we have finished off our guided writing about the Iron Man. The children have also planned and written their own, independent, version of the ending to one of the chapters of the book. To celebrate, we have also designed and made junk modelling 'iron men' in small groups. We have added a picture over leaf to give you an idea.

In Maths, we have (some might say, finally!) got onto practising the *formal*, written method for addition; we have begun subtraction, too. All our work on place value and mental calculation has paid off and the children have impressed us with how well they are able to reason mathematically around, e.g. where to place exchanged digits. As always, we welcome your support in talking about what the children have been doing. Perhaps ask them to explain what to do if they have more than 9 *ones* or *tens* in a column or why it is important to keep the layout neat. (Please see on the next page on the first lesson of subtraction using the place value chart to support in-depth understanding. Maybe your child could explain this to you!)

We are continuing to enjoy hearing the children present their research in Science - we are gradually becoming experts on the topic of gravity! Thank you very much for having supported your child with this homework.

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Homework

Maths

This week, we have set homework on Mathletics to consolidate our earlier work on <u>mental</u> addition and subtraction, including the use of the inverse (when that proves simpler to carry out). Please note that your child may prefer to solve some of these tasks by jotting down their 'thinking steps' using e.g. a blank number line (your child should be familiar with this).

Times tables

Please continue to practise 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



Date Reminders

We are still awaiting all replies and payments for our trip to the **Natural History Museum**. Deadline reminder: **TODAY** ©

Class assemblies: Rowan 9am Thursday 29th Nov; Elm Thursday 6th

Tate Britain portrait project On Wednesday, we sent out consent forms for taking part in the exciting class photo project mentioned a few weeks ago. Those families not on parentmail should have received a paper copy. Please hand these back by Friday next week.

https://www.tate.org.uk/whatson/tate-britain/exhibition/stevemcqueen

Announcements

Trip helpers

Thank you to all of those parents who have volunteered to come with us on our trip in January. In an attempt to be super organised, we have sent out acknowledgement slips this week to let you know if we need you or not (as happily, we have had more offers than will be required this time). Please check your child's bag. Thank you ©



