

Year 3

Dear Parents/Carers

Amidst Christmas concert rehearsals and the watching of others' performances, we have polished off our independent writing by editing carefully. We have also pondered on questions that the story has left unanswered.

In Maths, we have continued our topic on multiplication and division but this time on the 4x table. Working both practically and using visual methods like the bar model, the children have used their reasoning skills to solve problems.

We all enjoyed our visit from the Tate Britain photographer on Monday and smiled for the camera! During the session, the children had a workshop on photography where they explored how to 'read' a photo and related the reasons for why people take pictures to their own experiences. The around 2500 class photos, including ours, will be on display at the gallery from November 2019.

Your child has brought home their **Maths book/s** to share with you this weekend. **Please note that these MUST be back in school on Monday.** Please sign the slip to say that you have seen it and comment if you wish. Elm children's books won't have the slips so please just sign - thank you.

☺ The Year 3 Team

Homework

Maths: This week, we have set homework on Mathletics where the children will consolidate work on the 3x and 4x tables, including division facts.

<https://community.mathletics.com/signin/#/student>

Times tables: This week's focus is consolidation of 3s, 4s and 8s to support our current work in Maths lessons both on multiplying and dividing.

Fun interactive game for practising times tables:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Spelling: Please keep revising spellings from across the term. A new spelling list for Spring will be handed out on the first day back.

Reading: Keep listening to your child read, questioning them about plot and characters. Please make sure that your child is writing down the titles of what they are reading in the home-school diaries. Lost diaries can be replaced for £5 at the office.



Date Reminders

Remember that school finishes early on the last day of term at 1.30 pm

On the morning of Wednesday 19th December, we are holding auditions for the KS2 talent show.

Announcements

For the Christmas concert, the children are allowed to wear a Santa hat.

We would like to encourage all the children to continue to practice the songs for the Christmas Concert. Words were given out last week.

Class assemblies

Beech – 9.00 am on 31st January 2019

Extra spelling information for some children: Having tested all the children on their Year 1-2 spellings, some should have brought home a list of the words that they still need to practise. Please look out for this sheet.