Weekly News – Friday 10th January 2020

Year 3

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year! We hope that you had a lovely relaxing holiday and are now ready for a new term! Many thanks for all the generous presents. We were overwhelmed and definitely appreciated all the yummy chocolates and biscuits over the Christmas break!

In English this week, we have started our new book called *Journey* by Aaron Becker. This is a picture book with no words so the children have loved looking at the detailed pictures and imagining what is going on within the book. We have done exciting activities to immerse them in the story such as sequencing pictures and explored miming the story through drama (it was a challenge for them not to talk!). We have also started to look at the use of *time adverbials* (e.g. *later that day, a short while after* and *as time went on*). We have matched pictures from the text with suitable time adverbials.

In Maths this week, we have begun looking at multiplication methods. The children have been using bar models, repeated addition and arrays to work out multiplication sums. Below is a fun interactive game children can practise their times tables on.

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

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Homework

Spelling: All children should have received this term's spelling sheet. Please see your class teacher if you need one.

<u>Reading:</u> 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.

<u>**Recorders:**</u> Mrs Stephenson has given you some exercises to practice at home for 2 minutes every day.



Date Reminders

Arts Week – 20th-24th January. Arts Week Exhibition – 6th and 7th February between 3:30-5:00pm.

Announcements

Remember children need their recorders and folders every Wednesday.