

Year 3



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school - we hope you all had a fantastic half term despite the weather! We are thrilled to have so many children eagerly attending school, despite the pandemic. We have a new Home Learning Grid for this half-term and hope the children will enjoy complementing their class work with these activities. Please support your child by continuing to follow the 'essential' tasks at the top of the Grid.

You can find our Grid on the school website here: <https://www.fernhill.kingston.sch.uk/year3>

English

This week, we have begun immersing ourselves in our new book 'Journey' by Aaron Becker. This book is a picture book about a girl with a magical crayon. We have looked at the pictures and ordered them in a sequence. We have begun to extend our sentences with **expanded noun phrases** and **prepositional phrases**.
For example: The **brave, little girl** flew swiftly **above the fluffy clouds**.

Maths

This week we have been developing our understanding of three digit numbers. We have used a variety of representations such as dienes, place value counters and part part whole models. Using our place value knowledge we have been able to add and subtract to solve calculations.
For example: 541 is partitioned into 500, 40 and 1. Therefore we can solve $500 + 40 + 1 = \underline{\quad}$; $541 = 500 + \underline{\quad} + 1$; $541 - 40 = \underline{\quad}$; $500 = 541 - 1 - \underline{\quad}$.
This week, we have also looked at a new number line which has multiples of 100 and intervals of 10. We have been able to count forwards and backwards and look at the nearest 100 when looking at a multiple of 10.

Foundation Subjects

This term, we are linking Geography and Art for a topic on London landmarks and understanding what a city is. We have investigated 3D shapes in iconic buildings and have used Google Earth to 'visit' the four capital cities of the UK. In Science the children had enormous fun exploring how various forces may act on everyday objects.

Notices & Reminders

As the weather gets colder and wetter, please ensure your child brings a coat to school every day. As we are not able to send any books home at the moment, we will occasionally photocopy some of your child's work for you to see. Please note that this may not be in the same week for all classes.

Diamond Work Award

We are looking forward to celebrating Diamond Work again next week.
Watch this space!