

Year 3



Dear Parents and Carers,

The Christmas feeling has been getting stronger day by day this week. Our lunch together yesterday was great fun and the children put in a lovely effort when performing their song today. As this is our last year group newsletter this term, we would like to thank you so much for your support and wish you all a very merry Christmas.

English

The children have worked super hard at completing their island reports. We have been pleased to see good progress in terms of children's ability to respond to feedback about how to construct each paragraph carefully and in being able to read and edit their writing with a critical eye (and ear!). It's been lovely to see how much they have enjoyed the work we have done around the story of *Oliver and the Seawigs*. We are hoping to be able to finish reading the book by the end of term. If we run out of time, we will make the rest available in the google classroom.

Maths

This week we have been learning about mass. We understand which unit we measure mass in and what we measure mass. We have read scales in different intervals, compared masses and converted between kilogram and grams. We had added and subtracted weights by partitioning eg: $4\text{kg } 500\text{g} + 3\text{kg } 100\text{g} = 4\text{kg} + 3\text{kg} + 500\text{g} + 100\text{g} = 7\text{kg } 600\text{g}$.

Foundation Subjects

In science, the children thoroughly enjoyed observing how two magnets behave in relation to each other, learning vocabulary such as *north* and *south poles*, *repel* and *attract*. In art, the messy but fun sessions of using Modroc have resulted in some fantastic models of London's iconic buildings - well done all (incl. the adults who mucked in!).

Notices & Reminders

Please bring in a cardboard tube from a toilet roll at the start of next week. This is for a wintry craft activity. We are starting to look ahead to our lessons in January and for science we would love some help with sourcing about 10 cardboard boxes per class. Ideally, **approx.** 35cm wide, 25cm deep and 30cm high. No need to bring them in until the last week (or first week back at the latest). We teachers will also keep an eye open for boxes between now and then. In addition, we would like each child, if possible, to bring in a good torch next term to help in our science investigations. Please name it clearly so that it can be returned safely at the end of our topic. Thank you 😊

Diamond Work Award

This week we are particularly impressed with the efforts of:

Fulton and Isla (Beech)
Cassius and Emmy (Elm)
Artie and Skylar (Rowan)