

## Year 3

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to all three classes for rehearsing and performing their class assemblies so well this week. Please look out for these in our google classroom in due course.

Our next 'performance' will be on Wednesday next week when we will hold our own Year 3 version of Fern Speak - an opportunity for the children, who have accepted the invitation, to perform a poem of their choice in front of their peers in the large hall.

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### English

In English, we have begun to consider the purposes of leaflets which inform, advertise or persuade their readers. With this in mind, the children have made a start with their own leaflets, creating an eye-catching front cover, and an introductory paragraph about the issue of responsible use and recycling of plastic. This links with our Geography topic, in which we will be investigating the Great Pacific Garbage Patch, and with our continuing story *The Song of the Dolphin Boy*. In two weeks, we will be investigating which household items are recyclable, so please get your children involved in the sorting process, at home, if you can!

### Maths

Our new topic in maths is Geometry: Properties of shape. We have started by looking at types of turns and the directions of turns. We described them as  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$  and full turns *clockwise* and *anticlockwise*. We then moved on to identifying *acute*, *right*, and *obtuse* angles. At the end of the week, we drew and measured lines in cm and mm, as well as identified *horizontal* and *vertical* lines.

### Foundation Subjects

In our geography this week, we have begun to understand the benefits the ocean gives us. The ocean provides us with natural resources, oxygen, jobs, food, tourism, trade and many more! In Science, we have sorted animals based on their type of skeleton - *endoskeleton*, *exoskeleton* or no bones at all (so called *hydrostatic* skeleton). We have also considered the advantages and disadvantages of these.

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### Notices & Reminders

Please note that in RSE next week, our session will be based upon knowing the difference between a safe or unsafe secret. If you require further information, this can be found on the posting from Mrs Rodrigues in the Google Classroom dated 18.06.21.

To help us with our Art topic on collage, please may we ask for a small amount of clean cardboard food packaging per child (e.g. colourful cereal box, oxo cube packet, toothpaste box etc)? Thank you 😊

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### Diamond Work Award

This week, we were particularly impressed with the efforts of:

**Maya and Tom** (Beech)  
**Jacob and Jason** (Elm)  
**Joseph and Ksenia** (Rowan)