

Dear Parents and Carers,

Summer 1 Term

We hope you had a wonderful Easter break!

We have a full and exciting curriculum planned for this half-term. Our topic in History is Weston Turville during World War I. In Science, we will spend the next couple of weeks finishing forces with a focus on magnetism. Following on from that we will be looking at the skeleton and the human body. A copy of the skeleton will be added to the homework book to help with discussions at home about the bones we have in our bodies. In Literacy, our new class text is 'The Shaman's Apprentice'. The setting of this book is the rainforest so the children will be creating leaflets and non-fiction writing based on the rainforest. In Maths, we will be learning about fractions this half term. Any practical experience, such as cutting apples, cake, pizza etc and discussing how many parts there are and what each part represents such as $\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, would help support this concept. In Art, we will continue with our Moving Monsters DT project for the next couple of weeks, before moving onto sketches of plants where we will be looking at patterns and texture and recreating those patterns. We will be making use of the wildlife area for this purpose, **so please provide wellington boots and a coat** if the ground or weather is wet on Fridays. In RE, we will be looking at whether Jesus has authority over everyone.

Thank you for all the wonderful reading you are doing at home with your children. The children will continue to read in school and they should bring their reading and contact books in daily. The children are getting much better at remembering to put their reading books into the red box each day to be checked. Children receive a 'Class Dojo' point for each day that they read AND if their reading record is signed.

Our topics for PE this half term are tennis and athletics and PE lessons will continue to take place on Tuesday and Wednesday. PE kit should be their 'House' colour t-shirt with black or navy shorts or joggers/leggings and trainers. As the weather is still cool, a sweatshirt or hoodie will need to be worn too – ideally a dark, plain one.

Homework

A gentle reminder that if any work is completed in the homework book, which needs to be marked, it must be handed in by Wednesday.

Spellings- this week will be 2A week 6. Next week, we will be learning 3A Week 1 and a new list will be added to the homework book next week.

Maths shed - times tables and division activities have been uploaded to Maths shed, which will be available until the end of term.

Gardening club will continue on a Friday lunchtime. Please provide wellington boots when the weather is wet. We will be planting seeds this half term. If you have any seed trays, yoghurt pots etc that we may use, it would be really helpful.

Please could we ask that the children's pencil cases are restocked every half term. They will need a pencil, rubber, sharpener, 30cm straight ruler, scissors and a glue stick. Thank you for your support.

Staffing: Mrs D'Souza: Teaching Monday- Wednesday Mrs Gibbs: Teaching Thursday - Friday Classroom Assistant: Miss Grella SEN Support: Mrs Andrews and Mrs Underwood

If you have any questions, please write a note in the contact books.

Kind regards, Mrs D'Souza and Mrs Gibbs Class 3 Teachers