

Our Week In Year Three

Friday 14th January 2022

N E W H A L L

It has been fantastic having the children back the last couple of weeks. They all seemed to have had a lovely Christmas break and are all very excited to be back— particularly as we have some new faces with us this spring Term.

English: We have started back this half term with looking at some poetry— Kit Wright's 'Magic Box'. A beautiful free verse poem we have been studying and analysing for language effects and vocabulary developments. The children have now written their own poem in the style of 'The Magic Box' and have enjoyed this immensely.

Maths: Our maths this week has focused on continuing Multiplication and Division, but beginning with using known facts to solve related calculations (for example $2 \times 4 = 8$, $20 \times 4 = 80$). The children have enjoyed using resources and drawing their own pictorial representations to support their learning and will continue to use this knowledge as the year progresses.

Science: Our science this week has begun with the topic of plants, which will see us through to Easter. We have begun by revising parts of a plant, where the children enjoyed drawing and labelling their ideas of a plant. They were able to demonstrate their prior knowledge from year 2 in this subject and had plenty of questions to explore as our learning continues across this term.

New staff: We are very lucky to have two new members of staff join us this half term. Miss Gordon has swapped schools with Miss Leonard (who will be back after half term) to experience teaching in a different year group and school. Miss Gordon has quickly built a good rapport with Chestnut Class and she will begin teaching more next week. Miss Ruffell who is our new teacher in Maple class has also quickly established herself in Year 3— she has arrived with lots of amazing ideas and great enthusiasm for supporting the children's learning.

Home Learning: Home learning is via TEAMS and your child should now be able to access Teams. Year 3 have had a computing session, in which every child was guided through the process of logging into TEAMS. Every child has an email to log in with (in the front of their homework book). All children have been able to log onto teams in school— please let your class teacher know if there are any further difficulties with this.

Spellings: Please continue to encourage your child to practise the spelling pattern rule for week 6. Spelling patterns and rules are continuing to be taught in school and the children are showing great improvement in their application and understanding of these rules and patterns.

Reading: Year 3 will resume Library visits on Thursday. Accelerated reader books have now been given out based on their most recent reading tests. Please continue to read with your child for at least 15 minutes each day.

If you have any questions, please reach out to us so we can resolve any concerns.

Year 3 do PE on a Monday and Friday.

- Mr Scott, Miss Ruffell and Miss Gordon.