



Class Three Newsletter – 13.4.18

This Week...

This week we have started our new class novel; Charlotte's Web. One of the key objectives this year is to have whole novels read by the teacher. This gives the children access to language which may be above their own reading ability and allows them to explore unfamiliar words, learn their meanings and apply them in their own writing. They seem to be enjoying the book so far and we have specifically explored character and setting this week. In our Maths we have been using position and direction. This has involved us using coordinates and we played a fun game of Treasure Hunt on Tuesday to embed our new learning. We have been investigating right angle turns and clockwise and anti-clockwise movement which has prepared us well for our new learning on Time next week. We have started our new Science unit on Light and Shadows and made our own Wordle on Monday using all the technical vocabulary we know already about this topic. In our RE this half term we are exploring the question; 'Are all churches the same?'

Homework

As for the last two half terms, we are taking a topic based approach to homework. Our History topic is the Anglo-Saxons (moving onto the Vikings next half term) and the children have all brought home their new activity grid this week.

Thank you for all your support with this homework approach. Class 3 love the practical, creative nature of these tasks and we have been blessed with some amazing creations so far. I am looking forward to seeing what they come up with this time!

Special News!

Christian Value Certificate - Truth

Jake Bailey – for admitting the truth after making a mistake.

Curriculum Certificate -

Harry Hine - for really applying himself in all subjects

Writer of The Week

Lily Mercer - for showing excellent progress in her Writing

Extreme English Week - 16th - 20th April

Extreme English Week - where the children will be immersed in lots of exciting reading and writing activities.

The **Book Fair** is running for the 12^{th} April- 19^{th} April - please come along and support this - it is 3 books for the price of 2 and there are many lovely books to help inspire your child to read.

<u>Thursday 19th April</u> - **Dress Up Day** - children can come to school dressed as their favourite <u>book</u> character (please be mindful of our Christian ethos when choosing outfits)

<u>Friday 20th April</u> - **Book Swap** - Another opportunity for your child to get new reading material. Please bring a good condition, age appropriate book into class and have the chance to swap it with a book brought in by a class mate.

Next Week

Next week is our Extreme English week - see above. The children will be practising their English skills in a range of fun and interactive ways. We shall be continuing to read our class novel as the children are very engaged with this. A visit from a librarian is scheduled for Wednesday. The children will be having a Carousel morning on Thursday where they will visit other Key Stage 2 classes, doing a variety of English activities. In our Maths work, we will be looking at Time again and moving on from our previous learning. Our Science will be looking at shadows and investigating the technical vocabulary of transparent, translucent and opaque. The children will be looking at timelines in History.