



## Class Three Newsletter – 20.10.17

### This Week...

We began the week by using the framework of our story The Tin Forest, and adapting it with our own ideas, settings and characters. The results have been good and show the positive effect that our 'Off By Heart' learning has had on our ability to use more complex vocabulary and structure a story. In our grammar work we have been investigating homophones and the children have been practising 'their', 'there' and 'they're'. We made clown faces with noses that lit up or buzzed in our Science lessons - the children are all very familiar with constructing circuits and using switches to make or break these circuits. They can also use scientific language effectively. We will be moving on to a new science unit after half term. The children have been extending their knowledge of formal written methods in their maths, this week focusing on subtraction. As with addition, we shall be revisiting this tricky concept next term.

Next week is the final opportunity to buy a coffee bean for our huge coffee jar. We shall then count up how much money we have raised for the Bishop's Harvest Appeal. Thank you to all those of you who have contributed to this very worthy cause. Teaching the children about other communities and those children who lead very different lives to their own, is an integral part of our curriculum.

### Forward Notice

Parents Evening - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November - details to follow.

Whole school Panto trip - Aladdin - 8<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Production - Key Stage 2 - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - details to follow.

### Special News!

#### Christian Value Certificate - Peace

Noemi Stefanska for always going about her daily life with love and making me feel peaceful!

#### Curriculum Certificate -

Harley McGowan for really having a good attitude with all his work this week.

#### Writer of The Week

Ethan Calvert for doing some more detailed writing this week.

### Next Week...

We will be looking at Explanation Texts and how they work, in preparation for writing our own explanations. These will be based around an invention for catching a star! We will also be writing an explanation of how we made our toy clowns in science last week. The children will be doing some problem solving using all the maths concepts we have studied this half term and also practising their 3x and 4x tables (please keep practising at home during the holidays too). We shall be entering a local calendar competition and also creating some art, based on The Gunpowder Plot.