

Year 3 - Week Commencing 16th October 2017

Maths

This week we will be focusing on the column method for addition in both two and three digit numbers. The children did well in their Autumn Maths check last week and many have showed they have secure reasoning skills. Others have shown secure understanding in written method and just need more practise on applying their prior knowledge to test style questions - many were thrown off by feeling like they were being tested. They soon enjoyed the experience of marking as a class and discussing each question in full together - they realised they HAD the tools to answer independently and there was no need to panic 😊

English

The children did amazingly well in their BIG WRITE last week! Many of the children structured their 'Clock Tower' piece using all or most of the features of a folk tale. It was wonderful to see many of them applying their grammar focuses from the past 6 weeks e.g. inverted commas, adverbs, prepositions. Guided Reading sessions this week will take the form of reading comprehension where the children will be given passages (from their reading level) to interpret and answer questions on. I have noticed a super level of progress in all children in Class 3 so far this year! We have been working hard on answering in full and our inference of text.

Theme

This week we will be continuing our theme, 'There's no place like home'. In History, we will have the pleasure of interviewing Mr & Mrs Whipp on Barnoldswick through time. In Geography, we will be going on our local walk to complete our fieldwork (**please ensure children have a coat/rain jacket with them on Tuesday**) We will be continuing our RE unit with the next thread of questioning in our grid around 'The Church' - What is a role model and who do I look up to? In Computing, the children will be completing their paired 'Barnoldswick through Time' PowerPoint presentations this week.

Extras

- **Year 3 Staff** are: **Miss Lauren Johnston** (Teacher), **Mrs Amanda Tarn** (HLTA) & **Mrs Paulette Hylands** (TA - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings).
- **French** will be on **Fridays**. **PE** will be on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. Now that the children are making the transition into KS2 we ask that independence and responsibility is encouraged at home, they have been doing really well with this. Long hair should be tied back and earrings/other jewellery should not be worn - **if earrings cannot be removed, please send plasters to school**.
- **Snack Time** - Just a reminder to send something for your child's snack each day if they are not purchasing anything from the hatch.
- My **PPA** time will be on **Wednesday afternoon** this week. Mrs Tarn will be teaching the class.
- Homework diaries will be updated on Fridays, by the children, with their spellings and times tables for the week.
- Each week there will be some opportunities for the children to further their learning (e.g. Active Learn, TT Rockstars, worksheets etc.) - login details are stuck in on the inside of the children's homework diaries 😊. A homework opportunities sheet also went home last week, have a look 😊
- We will be encouraging the children to share their learning and progress with someone at home therefore we kindly ask that **a parent/guardian signs each week's homework diary entry with their initials** - this is something we will be checking with the children in our efforts to encourage them to continue to make super progress and develop their understanding of the curriculum at home and in the community. Spellings/Times Tables check scores will be written in on Fridays so everyone can keep track on how they are doing 😊.

Miss J 😊