

# Year 3 - Week Commencing 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018

## Maths

This week we will be focusing on division. The following will be our main objectives:

- Write and calculate mathematical statements for division using the multiplication tables that they know, including for two-digit numbers divided by one-digit numbers, using mental and progressing to formal written methods.
- Select a mental strategy appropriate for the numbers involved in the calculation.
- Use estimation to check answers to calculations and determine, in the context of a problem, an appropriate degree of accuracy.
- Solve problems involving money and measures.
- Solve problems, including missing number problems, involving division (and interpreting remainders) and correspondence problems in which  $n$  objects are connected to  $m$  objects.

## English

Last half term the children received a mission letter from Agent NHS :) We were set the task of writing a persuasive letter to unhealthy schools in the county as he had heard about our unit on Persuasive writing and Healthy Humans theme in Science. We practiced by writing a persuasive response back to a Mr Bruce Boggington, who wanted to build an onion factory on our school field! Year 3 learnt how to make a point whilst remaining polite and factual. This week we will be completing our Big Write to Agent NHS. Following this we shall be starting our new English unit, Story as a Theme. Our main text will be Stig of the Dump by Clive King.

## Theme

This half term our theme is 'Rock and Roll'. In Science, we shall be looking at famous rocks in the world and what they are made of. In RE our topic of Christianity will continue by exploring the meaning of salvation and how Jesus offers it. In Geography, the children will continue their focus on the formation of volcanoes and the occurrence of earthquakes. In Art, we will be observing photographs of fossils and making detailed sketches using pencils and charcoal. In History, we shall be investigating what life was like after the Ice Age and meeting the Neanderthal.

## Extras

- **Year 3 Staff** are: **Miss Lauren Johnston** (Teacher), **Mrs Amanda Tarn** (HLTA) & **Mrs Paulette Hylands** (TA - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday mornings and Friday).
- **French** will be on **Fridays**. **PE** will be on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays**. 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 **Thursday 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 are 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☺.
- 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 ☺.