

Year 3 - Week Commencing 5th February 2018

Maths

This week's focus will be on Fractions.

Recognise and use fractions as numbers: unit fractions and non-unit fractions with small denominators.

Understand that finding a fraction of an amount relates to division.

Recognise, find and write fractions of a discrete set of objects: unit fractions and non-unit fractions with small denominators.

Show practically or pictorially that a fraction is one whole number divided by another (for example, $\frac{3}{4}$ can be interpreted as $3 \div 4$).

English

This week we are in our writing phase of Story as Theme. The children will be writing their own innovations of Chapter 1 from Stig of the Dump. The children have demonstrated tremendous writing skills throughout this unit, we have been focusing a lot on extending our vocabulary e.g. substituting 'said' with 'exclaimed', 'quickly' with 'swiftly'. The children completed a diary entry, as Barney, last week. Their efforts were fantastic, using language such as 'he looked at me blankly, like he always did...he moved as if his joints were rusty!! I can't wait to read their independent pieces this week as they write in sequenced chunks...a little bit more each day.

Theme

This half term our theme is 'Rock and Roll'. In Science, we shall be writing missing posters for three different rocks (igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic) In Music our focus will be on rock and Roll, developing our diction, control of pitch and accompanying with percussion. In Geography, the children will be representing the layers of the earth with a dirt pudding and we will be recreating a volcanic eruption with some ingredients. In History, we shall be investigating the formation of the famous Stonehenge.

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 ☺.

Have a lovely half term, Miss J ☺