

# Year 3 - Week Commencing 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018

## Maths

This week we shall be going through the Spring Term arithmetic paper and discussing our methods. We will be revisiting the column method for addition and subtraction.

We shall then be focusing on a new measurement unit: Capacity.

## English

This week we will be continuing our English unit as part of our 'Iron Man' topic. The unit will focus around a Novel as a theme, The Iron Man, written by Ted Hughes. The children will be identifying key events and characters this week. We will be exploring different drama techniques for example, hot seating. This involves stepping into the role of the Iron Giant and the children are to ask it questions. From this, the children will be chunking the plot of Chapter 1 and practising their point and evidence skills.

## Theme

This half term we will be finishing our theme, 'The Iron Man'. In Science, we shall be studying magnets and carrying out fair tests to record the difference in force through different materials. In Music our focus will be on soundtracks and the effect it has on the viewer. The class will be planning and performing their own soundtrack to the opening scene of The Iron Man by forming different musical groups and playing in sync with one another. In Design & Technology, we shall be investigating and evaluating pop up books which use leverages and linkages in the view of designing our own pop up scenes to recreate the first chapter of The Iron Man.

## 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 **Thursdays**. 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 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 😊.

**Friday's Spelling and Mental Maths test - lists set from the last week before half term.**

**The children were given a break on their last day as they had completed assessments all week.**

**Miss J** 😊