



# Year 3 Newsletter

Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly to keep you up to date.

Friday 30th January

Welcome to the Year 3 newsletter! The spring term is now well underway and the children have settled back into our school routines very well. Read below to hear about some of the exciting things that we have been up to!

## Upcoming dates for the diary

### Wednesday 4th February (9.10-9.40)

We invite you in to have a look at all of the wonderful work that the children have completed in Year 3 so far. This is a great opportunity to see what your child has been up to across the curriculum and see their progress.

### Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th February

Parents' Evening. We look forward to seeing you to share your child's progress with you since they joined us in Year 3.

Friday 13th February - Magical Mischief Day - more information to follow! Break up for Half term.

Monday 23rd February - Children return to school.

Friday 27th March - Y3 Trip to Sunderland Winter Gardens (Please fill in the google form: <https://forms.office.com/e/pY7fOPkCe5>

Thursday 2nd April - Break up for the Easter Holidays.

## Maths

In maths lessons, we have really been focussing on our times tables. Particularly our 4 times table. This is a key objective for Year 3 and the children are growing in confidence with their quick recall and fluency. If you could continue to support your child at home with learning their times tables, that would be much appreciated. Times Table Rockstars is a great way for the children to practise while having fun and earning coins!



## English

In our English lessons, we have been reading examples of recount texts. The children have really enjoyed finding out about Floella Benjamin and her life in England when she moved from Trinidad. As our class read, we have been reading *Kensuke's Kingdom* by Michael Morpurgo - a classic text which tells the story of a boy and his family as they embark on an around the world adventure on their boat, the Peggy Sue. The children have written a ship's log recount as part of their final piece of writing and these have been fantastic!



## Art

In our art lessons, we have been looking at creating art using the rainforest as inspiration. We have been learning all about the artist Abel Rodriguez and the children have sketched some of his work, as well as creating some of their own rainforest inspired pieces. Learn more about Abel and see his work by clicking on the weblink below:

[Abel Rodríguez: Exhibition Views](#)



Proud to make a positive impact.

## Farmer Time!

Farmer Sam is our farmer this year and we have already had two exciting facetime calls with him. He has shared with us the vegetables he grows and this week, shared with us the journey of a pea seed and the perfect conditions for it to thrive! We are very lucky that he is going to send us some to grow in our raised beds along with his expert advice and top tips! Watch this space for our perfect peas - hopefully beating all of the other year groups by a mile in our school competitions!

