



Year 3 Newsletter

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

Thursday 2nd April

Welcome to the Year 3 newsletter! It's the end of a busy term and thankfully we are now seeing some gorgeous blue skies and warmer days! The children continue to wow us and try their best - we look forward to another successful term ahead, the final one in Year 3!

Diary Dates

Monday 20th April - children return to school



Friday 24th April - Fun Run

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday

Monday 11th May - Tempest class photos

Friday 22nd May - Teacher training day and break up for May half term

Friday 17th July - Summer holidays.

Sunderland Winter Gardens

On Friday, we visited the Winter Gardens and I am sure the children have already shared with you what a wonderful day we had! Marie, our host, was VERY impressed with the children's plant knowledge and we had a lovely time planting seeds and then visiting the various exhibitions around the museum. A gorgeous day! See the next page for photos and what we got up to!



R.E

As Easter Sunday approaches, the children have been learning all about the Easter story its significance to Christians around the world. They acted out the story of Jesus' crucifixion and then created beautiful egg mobiles showing key parts of the story.



English

The genre we are now working on in English is quest stories and our selected text is Ice Palace by Robert Swindells. A lovely story about a boy who sets off on a quest to find his missing brother! In this unit we will explore speech punctuation and similes and the impact they have in a narrative text. We are looking forward to reading the children's stories in a few weeks time!

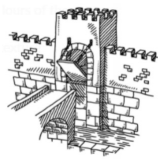
Maths

We have been investigating 2D shapes and their properties this week with the children wowing us with their shape knowledge! We have investigated shape properties and learned about the term 'polygon' - a shape with closed, straight sides. Outside, we used natural materials to create 2D shapes which was lots of fun!



DT Castles

This week, we have blocked our DT topic - castles! We have really enjoyed finding out about different castle features and who might live in a castle. We've looked at famous castles in the UK such as Stirling castle in Scotland and the Tower of London. Before we made our own castles, we made annotated designs and considered how to ensure our castles would be stable and strong. I am sure you were impressed when they came home! Find out more by clicking the link below and test the children with the quiz! [Castles - BBC Bitesize](#)



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