



## A sneaky peak into Year 3!

In this newsletter, you will be able to find out what we will be learning and also any important dates for this half term.

This half term our topic is called.....They Made a Difference

In topic...

We have just started our exciting new topic, 'They made a difference'. We will be finding out about people who have been significant in our society in past and modern life. We'll be practising our research skills to find out all about the life of a significant person in order to create a presentation. We will think about the challenges the significant person faced in their life and how they overcame them in order make a difference.

In science...

We have also started our new science topic which is called 'Push and Pull Forces'. Through exploring forces, we will practise investigation skills which will help our understanding of the ways different forces affect movement of objects.

In English....

We have started reading an exciting new book called 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl. As we learn about two of the most revolting characters ever written about, we will be writing many different genres such as setting and character descriptions, letters, diary writing and non-chronological reports.



In maths....

This half term in maths we are using our understanding of fractions in order to solve problems. It will really help us to consolidate our use of division and multiplication as we understand fractions of shapes, amounts and quantities. In each lesson, we will deepen our understanding through problem solving and reasoning questions. We will be working on explaining our maths thinking and proving our predictions.

These are the maths words that we will be learning and using: double, half, doubling, halving, denominator, numerator, fraction, divide, multiply, whole, part, equal, equivalent, order, reason, justify, prove, explain

Our special new words...

Significant, famous, important, bias, sources, research, magnets, magnetic, forces, attract, repel, fair test, predict, investigate



How you can help your child

Sit with your child to support them while they access Frogplay for their maths homework and for the writing homework which is linked to our topic lessons.

Listen to your child read the home/ school reading book.

Read, discuss and share your child's library book.

Test your child on their spellings.

Discuss forces when you are out and about – help them to research the *movement of the sun*, earth and moon

Ask your child about the different times tables. Can they answer all the 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables? Could they take the test?

#### Homework

English homework will be research based on our topics and science learning.

Maths homework will be set weekly on Frogplay.net.

Reading books can be changed daily.

Library books can be changed weekly.

Spellings will be issued each Friday for a test at the end of the following week. You will know that your child got all their spellings correct if they come home with a 'super speller' sticker!

#### Trips and Visitors

Coming soon: Trips and Visitors

Coming soon: A trip is being organised to the Beatles museum in Liverpool this half term. Look out for more information over the next few weeks.