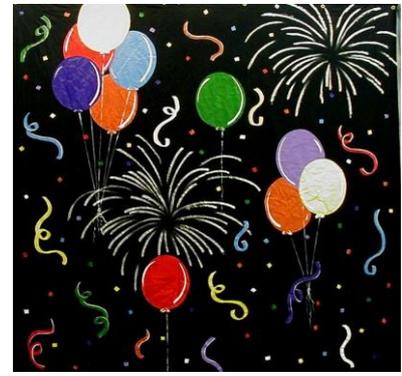


Year 3 News



Dear Parents/Carers

Below is information about some of the activities your child will be involved in this half term.

In our **Literacy** lessons we will be looking at science fiction/fantasy stories and our non-fiction focus will be on discussion texts. The children will explore different science fiction stories and will examine the themes and key ideas. They will then write their own episode to a story focusing on the correct use of first person, spelling and punctuation. Children will develop how to present both sides of an argument in order for a discussion to take place. They will then write their own discussion text.

In our **Numeracy** lessons we will focus on telling the time from an analogue clock and comparing time in terms of minutes and hours using key language e.g. a.m/p.m, noon, midnight. They will also learn how many seconds are in a minute and how many days are in each month. Children will also begin to recognise Roman numerals and continue to work with fractions. Please help your child practise their 2, 5, 10, 3 and 4 times tables at home and the related division facts.

In our **Science** lessons will be looking at the power of different forces. The children will compare how things move on different surfaces and notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. They will observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others.

Our **Creative Curriculum** topic this term is "Come and join the Celebration". We will be looking at Guy Fawkes and Bonfire night, and of course, Christmas. We will be carrying out a range of curriculum activities such as Design Technology, Art and Music.

Our **R.E.** lessons will focus upon Christianity and we will be looking at Bible stories from the Old Testament prophets including Abraham, Jonah and Isaiah. We will then reflect upon the birth of Jesus and reflect upon Christmas.

Our **P.E.** days are still **Monday** and **Thursday** and this half term will focus upon games and ball skills. Please ensure your child has their correct P.E. kit in school each week and that they have removed any jewellery.

Your child will continue to bring home a reading book for you to share with them. I would appreciate it if you could please sign their reading record to show that they have read to a certain page or completed the book. In addition, they will continue to bring spellings home on Mondays ready for a test on Friday and Maths homework on the Friday to be given in the following Friday.

If you have any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to come and see us at anytime.

Miss Marcroft, Mrs Wood and Mrs Allatt