



# Cedar's Newsletter



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

It is hard to believe a whole half term has passed already, time flies when you are having fun I guess and we have certainly had lots of fun this half term! The children have settled into year 3 brilliantly and are enjoying cedar class. It has been wonderful getting to know them all, and meeting with you over the last couple of weeks to gain your valuable insight too.

I hope you all have a restful half term and I look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> October.

## English

We have really appreciated our topic of 'stories from other cultures' this half term and have enjoyed reading and discussing many new stories and fairy tales. The children have certainly impressed me with their story writing skills and they are getting quite apt now at using speech marks in their written work.

We touched on a bit of poetry over the harvest week and it turns out we have quite a number of poets in year 3! Their shape poems about the sea were amazing, so many lovely ideas and some fantastic rhymes too! We will be looking at more poetry next half term, starting with humorous poetry, so dig out all of your poetry books over the holidays and let your children immerse themselves in poetry.

## Maths

The children have worked so hard in maths this week; we have been learning how to interpret and draw pictograms as well as read and understand data in tables. Completing the two-way tables certainly put their addition skills to the test and I could not believe how well they did.

## Science

We have been continuing our topic on 'shadows and reflections' and fortunately, there was enough sunshine for us to go outside and investigate our own shadows.



## Enrichment

We learnt all about DaVinci and his incredible inventions this week. In particular, we looked at his parachute design and we recreated it and then tested it outside to see how well it landed with an action figure.

## Home Learning and Test Results

**Maths:** Measuring perimeter due 31<sup>st</sup> October

Spelling Results: /10

**Times Tables:** 3 Times Table due Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Times Table Test: /10

## Year 3 Community Assembly

Of course, one of the big highlights of this half term was our community assembly, which we all really enjoyed. Here we are, hard at it, making our Diwali divas with Rangoli patterns:



Here is what some of Year 3 have to say about their first half term...

"I have enjoyed maths because I find it very interesting" (Freya)

"My favourite time was in music because we all got to sing together" (Aoife)

"I have enjoyed art because we used paints and got to mix the colours" (Eleni)

"My favourite subject is maths because we are learning new things" (Hayden)

"My favourite subject this term has been English because we did shape poems and lots of stories and writing" (James)

"I like art because it's creative like Lego" (Josh)

"I have enjoyed playing football on the top field because there is now a new girl's pitch" (Lola)

"My favourite thing was our assembly because we got to choose our parts. I also enjoyed art because we made some beautiful Diwali divas" (Tanvi)

"I like P.E because it is fun and keeps me fit" (Helio)

"My favourite moment so far has been our assembly because it was our first one" (Zauraiz)

"My favourite subject is English because we get to write lots and I have enjoyed Maths because I love number lines" (Jude)

"My favourite thing was writing poems; I also liked the pictograms in Maths" (Mia)

"My favourite thing this term has been learning the column method in Maths" (Theo)



### Upcoming:

English = humorous poetry and imagery in poetry and prose

Maths = Using inverse operations and negative numbers

Science = Nutrition, food groups and movement

### Dates for your diary

- ✚ Friday 2/11 = Poetry Assembly
- ✚ Monday 5/11 = Non-uniform day
- ✚ Thursday 8/11 = Movie Night (Paddington 2)
- ✚ Saturday 1/12 = Christmas Capers
- ✚ Wednesday 12/12 and Thursday 13/12 = Christmas play performances
- ✚ Friday 14/12 = No Assembly/ Children's Christmas Lunch
- ✚ Tuesday 18/12 = Christmas Carol Service in Church, 6pm
- ✚ Wednesday 19/12 = Last day of school and Community Assembly