## <u>Year 3 Newsletter</u> <u>Summer Term 2017</u>

## Date for the diary -

Sports day:30th June Summer Fete:7th July Open Evening:11th July

During our Maths lessons, we will be focussing on a range of topics including place value & number facts, including comparing and ordering numbers.

Written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division continue to have a high profile as do comparing and ordering fractions.

Throughout our lessons we will also be covering measurement: money, time, mass and volume/ capacity.

In English, we start the Summer Term with looking at report writing and non-fiction texts. A study of rainforests follows this, focussing on our persuasive writing skills. We finish the term by reading *The Hare and the Tortoise* and then studying some traditional tales... with a twist!



In computing, the children will learn how to save images and text for use in a word processor. Being able to save their work to shared computer in the correct folders and name is an important skill that we will develop. The children will use purple mash templates for leaflets/posters. This term, the children will make sure their text is suitable for purpose.

This term in RE we are looking at Sikhism, studying the 10 Gurus and looking at how people worship and their festivals.

In French we will be learning about: weather, clothes and farm animals.

In DT this term, the children will be cooking with Mrs Mott. The children will be making a range of sandwiches. Watch this space for our tea party.

In Art, we will be using a range of mediums in order to create our own Egyptian pictures. Hieroglyphics and silhouettes are going to be centre stage of our pieces.

HB7 and HB8 will both have PE on a Monday and Wednesday.

On Mondays children, will be learning the skills in the different events involved in athletics.

In games on a Wednesday, we will be learning how to play Kwick Cricket. Fielding skills will be an important part of our learning.

Please make sure your child has their P.E. kit in school for these days.

## Our Science topics are:

- Light- we will learn that light is needed in order to see things and be able to name a variety of light sources.
   The children will investigate shadows, learning how they are formed and when they change size.
- · Forces and magnetism. They will learn that some forces need contact between two objects and that forces can either be a push or a pull.

In Music, the children will be continuing to learn the recorder focusing on the higher range of notes. The children will continue to develop their musical knowledge and take part in weekly singing.

Our topic this term will be looking at the development of early civilisations such as the Ancient Egyptians. The children will explore where and when the first civilisations began. They will also explore the technology and inventions of early civilisations.

We hope you had a good Easter break.

We welcome Mrs Datoo to the team who will be covering Mrs Cronin's maternity leave. Please pop in and say hello!

Year 3 team: Mrs Cronin, Mrs Datoo, Mrs Barton, Mrs Houghton, Mrs Lakhtaria, Mrs Scoggins, Miss Johnston and Mrs Elgar