



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. We hope you had a relaxing holiday!

This term we will be starting a new topic on 'Rainforests'.

In **Geography**, we'll be using maps, atlases and globes to locate rainforests in different countries as well as name and locate the Equator and tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.

In **Design Technology** we will be selecting and using a range of tools and equipment and designing purposeful products using a criteria. One of these products will be a rainforest diorama (building a 3D rainforest scene in a shoe box).

In **Art**, we will be developing techniques including use of materials with experimentation and an increasing awareness of different types of art. We will improve our drawing, painting and sculpture skills with a range of materials.

In **Music**, we will be covering a unit on poetry, linking to our English work as well as looking at music and dance in relation to the Rainforest.

In **Science**, we will be continuing to study 'Rocks and Soils' and then we will move on to learning all about 'Plants'. We will identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers and explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant.

In **Mathematics**, we will continue to develop our mental addition and subtraction. There will also be a larger focus on multiplication and division methods (both mental and written) to use when solving problems.

In **English**, we will study various fiction and non-fiction texts. We will explore a range of books which include St. George and the Dragon, Harry Potter and Paddington Bear alongside this we will be developing our creative writing.

The British value we will be focusing on this term is 'Mutual Respect' where we will learn that our behaviours have an effect on our own rights and on those of others. We will know that all members of the school community treat each other with respect.

Other Notices

3D Class Assembly will be taking place on Thursday 10th May.

Thank you again for your continued hard work and support. If you have anything you would like to discuss with your child's teacher please see a member of the year 3 team.

Kind regards

Mrs Dhaliwal, Miss Gibbons and Miss Walters