

Year 3 Newsletter- 29th November 2024

Dear Parents,

Today the children took an Act of Worship about a lady called Malala and how she grew up in a country that were not happy about girls being educated. The children learnt a little about how she suffered because of this. Malala wrote a book called 'The Magic Pencil' and the children drew pictures of what they would want the world to look like if they had a magic pencil too. There were some great pictures. Our class song 'So Strong' by Labbi Siffre sounded beautiful.

In maths this week, the children were continuing to learn about different ways to multiply and divide. We are focusing on the vocabulary that the children are using and ensuring that they are working in smaller, but more steps to reach their targets. In class this week, the children have been using a times tables tracker to help them identify some facts about their 3 and 6 times tables. We also encouraged those who are not learning their 3s currently, to think about the fact that if they know their 10,5 and 2 times tables, then they already know some of their 3x tables too. Our focus was on multiplication being commutative.

The children are really enjoying the story of Narnia and this week they were writing diary entries as if they were Mr Tumnus meeting Lucy and then as if they themselves had stepped into Narnia through the wardrobe. Our focus was on writing in the first person and completing recounts of events using our senses for description.

Just a reminder that next Friday the children will be going to Leybourne Grange Riding School for their Christmas nativity. Please ensure that your child has a packed lunch and that they are wearing appropriate shoes for walking in and have warm outerwear.

In computing this week, the children spent more time on the i-pads creating their own animations. They were encouraged to use a stickman and make him move in some way by using 5-7 frames. This involved each child taking a picture once their stickman had changed. Once we clicked stop, there were some great animations, from a stickman swimming, to a stickman growing incredibly long hair. The children are really enjoying this activity.

This will be the last week of spellings for the term, as it becomes very busy with nativity and Christmas activities. There are 12 because these are ones that I am seeing spelt incorrectly in a lot of books. If you want to work on any spellings over the holidays, their homophones are a great idea as there are so many. (Examples: hear, here, there, their, they're- words that sound the same and are spelt differently.)

Thank you,

The Year 3 Teaching Team)

Spellings: (12)

Through, threw, knew, new, know, no, hear, here, of, off, saw, sore.

Spellings: (7)

Too, to, two, one, won, sore, saw.