

Year 3 Newsletter

Week beginning: Monday 4th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

During the recent Parent Consultation, many of you asked for a book list for new free readers. A printed copy of a book list suitable for children in Year 3 has been sent home. I came across some useful websites when I was looking for a book list. I hope you find them useful too. Many of these books are available in the local libraries.

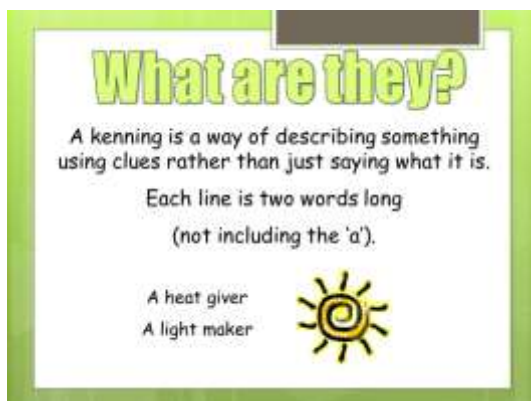
<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/reading-list-for-year-3-pupils-ks2-age-7-8/>

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/year-3/>

English

The children have completed their story of the Little Red Riding Hood last week. They re-read and edited their work. They then substituted one of the characters from the original story to a different character and came up with a different story of Little Red Riding Hood. The children acted out this new version in small groups.

This week, we learnt about a new type of poem – kennings.



In pairs, we then planned and created our own kennings.

Maths

Last week in maths, we have solved problems involving multiplication and division by four. We figured out the answers for eight times tables by doubling the answers for four times tables this week.



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This week, we learnt that the holy trinity represents God. Although 'The Father', 'The Son' and 'The Holy Spirit' are not the same as each other, they are all forms of God. The children then drew their own interpretation of the trinity in their books.

PE

Year 3 had a joint PE lesson with Year 4 children last week. They developed hockey, football and basketball skills. This week, we have done dance and yoga in the classroom.

Science

In science this week, we learnt a lot about magnets.

MAGNETS

What is a magnet?

Magnets **attract** things that have iron in them. Iron is a kind of metal.

MAGNETS

The **POLES** of a magnet:

The **N** is the north pole.

The **S** is the south pole.

MAGNETS

If you hold the north pole of one magnet up to the south pole of another magnet, the poles will → **attract**

MAGNETS

But if you hold two north poles or two south poles next to each other, they will → **repel**

We also discussed some of the properties of magnets, uses of magnets and how the earth acts as a magnet.

Spellings

The children in Group A will be tested on the ticked words on their spelling sheets. They are welcome to learn the other words too.

This week, the words include letter 'y' making the sound 'i'.

Nativity

We have been working very hard on memorising the lyrics of our songs for the Nativity and we have been practising the songs under the expert tutelage of Mrs Grinstead. We would love it if you could come to the church next week to hear us perform. Details of the tickets for the performance are in the Headteacher's Newsletter sent last week. We are looking forward to presenting you our vocal skills.

Could you please ensure that your child comes to school next week wearing a jumper or a cardigan? The church gets quite cold and the children have been asked to remove their coats during the Nativity performance.

Music

The children had a fantastic surprise this Tuesday morning, when Mr Jaggard came in to deliver a special seasonal music lesson to the children. It was a fun-filled joyous Christmassy hour!





Christmas Party

We have our Christmas Party on **Thursday 14th December**. A letter has been sent home with the details of the plans for the day.



A massive thank you to all parents and carers for your kind generosity! We really appreciate the Christmas cards and gifts!

Have an enjoyable weekend

Mrs Pattanshetti, Mrs Glennon and Mrs Patterson

