

# Year 3 Newsletter

Week beginning: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2021

## Maths

In Maths, we finished our learning of the 3, 4 and 8 times tables this week. We worked on division facts for the 8 times tables at the beginning of the week and then sat a mini-assessment to test all that we have learnt in this topic so far.

We ended the week by re-capping how to use the column method for subtraction and addition. Column addition and subtraction is a method whereby numbers are written in columns according to their place value, with the number to be added or subtracted below the first number.

**Column Addition (no exchange)**

Check you answer	H	T	O	Start here
	3	5	1	
	6	3	4	
	9	8	5	

**Column Subtraction (no exchange)**

Check you answer	H	T	O	Start here
	7	6	3	
	3	4	1	
	4	2	2	

## Woodland Learning

On Wednesday we had Woodland Learning. The children made Christmas themed decorations using natural materials to celebrate the start of December! Thank you to our adult helpers who came to assist in this session.





### Christmas in Year 3

On Wednesday afternoon, we decorated the classroom with Christmas decorations. As you can see, we have a very jazzy tree! The children also told me lots about their advent calendars and the cheeky elves that have entered their homes! We have a Christmas advent calendar in class to count down to Christmas together. Each child's name has been put in a number, and each day, one or two children will take home a chocolate.



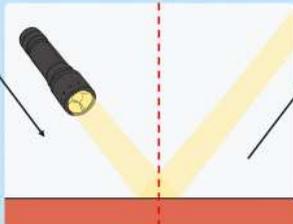
## Reflective Light

Light travels in a straight line.

When light hits an object, it is reflected (bounces off).

If the reflected light hits our eyes, we can see the object.

Light from the torch hits the object.



The light is reflected from the object.

## Science

This week, we have had lots of science lessons on 'Light'. In the first lesson, we looked at what reflection is and which materials reflect light the best. We discovered that light travels in straight lines. Reflection is created when light hits an object, bounces back off and then enters our eyes.

To test this, the children shone torches onto different materials and looked at the reflection they created. They ranked the materials according to how much light they reflected.



In our next lesson, we learnt about UV light and why it can be dangerous for our eyes. We discussed ways to stay safe in the sunlight like wearing hats or sunglasses and to never look directly at the sun. The children made advertisements for sunglasses and hats to show how these accessories can protect people from sun damage.

**Christmas Dress Rehearsal**

Please can the children bring in their Christmas jumpers next week, in a named bag, for their dress rehearsal on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December? The jumpers will also be needed for their performances on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

Have a wonderful weekend! 😊

Miss Courtney and Mrs Patterson