



## Year 3 Summer Term 2016 Newsletter

This letter explains what your child will be learning during this term and how you may be able to help at home. Topics taught in year 3 are planned to meet the subject guidance of the new National Curriculum.

### Our topics:

\* Geography: We will be learning about the physical and human features of different locations for airport travel. Using a variety of techniques, we will design, create and evaluate an airport and a flying machine, as well as looking at how art has been used to capture images of transport and create our own artwork based on this. We will also learn about how transport has changed the structure of our country.

\* History: We will be learning about the country of Egypt. The children will be using different sources of research e.g. books, pictures, artefacts, internet to find out about Egypt in ancient times and the present day. We will also be using appropriate historical terms such as dates, time period, era, change, chronology etc.

If you have anything that could possibly help us with this topic then please let us know e.g. photographs, postcards, travel guides.

\* Science: How does your garden grow? We will be looking at the different parts of flowering plants and their functions, as well as, exploring the part flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. Scientifically, we will be gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions.

\* RE: We will be focusing on the subject of sharing. In particular, we will be learning to explore how Sikh beliefs affect their ways of life and the importance they place on sharing. At the end of the topic, we want the children to be able to discuss a time when they share and how they feel when they do this.

\* ICT: The children will continue to use new technology throughout the term using safe search engines to research our topics and produce information fact files. Our topic will be based around 2D and 3D designs where the children will be designing a vehicle using computer technology!

### \* KIRFs

\* Visit <http://www.wilkinsonprimaryschool.uk/Pages/KIRFs.aspx> to view your Key Instant Recall Facts. This term you are focussing on being able to tell the time to the nearest minute, quarter hour and the nearest five minutes as well as the nearest hour and half hour.

### How you can help!

Please hear your child read their reading book at least once a week and sign their reading record. Make sure your child completes their homework and returns it on time. Homework is given out on a Thursday and needs to be returned on the following Monday.

Spelling Tests will be every Monday so please ensure your child practises these at home.

Ensure your child has their full PE kit in school on a Monday and Wednesday. This includes green shorts, a white top and black pumps or trainers. This term, we will be having PE lessons outside.

If you have any concerns your queries, please do not hesitate to contact us in Year 3.

Mrs Meredith and Mr Beasley

