# Primary 3 November - December Newsletter 2017

### Literacy:

We love to read in Primary 3! We will continue to focus on developing our fluency and expression when reading aloud, scanning the text for key words. We will also keep working on our comprehension skills by answering a variety of comprehension questions focusing on answering in full sentences

We will be reading Fiction and Non Fiction books about 'Toys' and completing a variety of activities related to them.

Our grammar focus will be verbs and alphabetical order. We will also be revising when to use capital letters and full stops in sentences.

The genres we will be focusing on when writing are 'Persuasive' and 'Narrative'. We will write some lovely creative stories about toys and we will also make a poster to advertise toys for sale!

Encourage your child to talk about what they are going to write first - does each sentence make sense? It is important to encourage independent writing using sounds but do provide as much support as needed to increase confidence in writing.

## Numeracy:

We will continue to look at the 100 square and find patterns. We will be learning all about tens and units and we will understand that every place has a value! **3D Shape** - We will be learning the names of regular **3D** shapes and discussing their properties (faces, edges and corners).

We will also be developing our Mental Maths skills especially our knowledge of number stories within 20. Keep practising quick recall at home!

We will keep working on our Problem Solving Skills. Mrs Fleming said we are brilliant problem solvers in Primary 3! We will continue to really focus on how to solve <u>word problems</u> using the RUCSAC method.

Remember to keep using the <u>Mathletics</u> programme at home too!



We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Halloween break and are looking forward to the rest of the term. This is a busy term that is filled with fun and exciting experiences leading up to Christmas!



Value of the Month:
Responsibility
Emotion of the Month:
Sad
Prayer of the Month:
Eternal Rest

## Religion:

Grow in Love workbooks will be sent home throughout the week for an activity to be completed and should be returned to school on Friday with your child's weekly homework. During November we remember all the people who have died and gone to heaven.

#### P3 Tennis:

Wednesday £2 per session (£14 for 7 weeks)



**Anti Bullying Week:** Week Beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November **Panto:** Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Bazaar:** Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 5pm

## World Around Us and The Arts

Our current topic is:

#### Toys.

We are learning all about the similarities and differences between toys today and toys in the past. We will also be



learning about how toys move! We will sketch lovely pictures of teddy bears and our favourite toys. Throughout the topic of toys the children will also be engaged in music and drama activities as well as independent tasks to develop their understanding of the topic.

## **Home Learning:**

Thank you for your continued support with Homework. This really does support your child's learning! Keep practising Spellings, Mental Maths and Reading each night along with any written tasks! Please ensure your child completes his or her

Homework each week and returns it on a Friday. Reading Books should also be in school every day and returned on a Friday.

#### ICT:

We love using our iPads in P3.
We will explore a variety of apps including Book Creator, Explain Everything and Green Screen.
On the computer we will also be practising basic word processing skills (how to type a sentence in



Microsoft Word, how to include capital letters and full stops, how to change the size and colour of text etc). We will write about our favourite toy on the computer and find a picture on the internet to insert into our document! Please encourage your child to learn their login for the computer (see Homework Books).