

## YEAR 3 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER SUMMER 1

This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

The Year 3 Team.



**Topic** - Our topic for this term is India. We will be exploring India and where it is in the world, the mountain ranges and major rivers, as well as the human and physical features of cities in India. We will also be exploring India's culture and influence on other countries and making comparisons with the UK. In addition, we will be immersing ourselves in the fascinating art of India and be exploring a range of traditional Indian art mediums.



**English** - This term in English, we will begin by focusing on 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' by Elspeth Graham and Mal Peet. This is beautifully illustrated tale about monkeys that come to the rescue of a struggling family.

To support children in their developing literacy skills, we will continue to do daily comprehension, reading and spelling activities. We are also continuing regular handwriting to encourage pride in presentation.



**Maths** - Our first focus of this half term will be fractions, then moving on to money. In reasoning, we will be concentrating on using mathematical language to explain our answers. We will continue to use mental maths throughout, including knowledge of number bonds and times tables.

**Science** - In science, we will be introducing the topic of Plants. Children will I can identify and describe the functions of different parts of plants; roots, stem, leaves and flowers. They will explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, nutrients from soil and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant. They will investigate the ways in which water is transported within plants and explore the role of flowers in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.

## PE

### Wednesdays - Swimming



Please ensure children bring in their swimming kit each week.

- **Suitable swimming kit** - Swimming trunks (boys) or one-piece bathing suit (girls)
- **Swimming hat** for both boys & girls - these can be bought at the School Office
- **Towel**

### Friday - Athletics



Please ensure children bring in their PE kit each week.

A kit should include; trainers, socks, a t-shirt, shorts/joggers and a jumper.