

Tuesday 8th January 2019



# Woodland Newsletter

## Year 3

### Spring 1



#### ENGLISH

In English, the book which will be the focus of our learning is 'The Frog Prince Continued', written by Jon Scieszka. Stemming from the text, we will produce a role on the wall, a diary entry and a narrative with an alternative ending. In SPaG, we will continue to apply our knowledge of conjunctions and we will start to use a range of complex and compound sentences within our writing.

#### MATHS

In Maths, we will begin by finding and writing fractions with small denominators. After this, we will start to recognise equivalent fractions which will help us to order and compare them. In addition to our fraction work, we will develop our confidence around measuring length, mass and capacity. In addition to this, we will learn how to add and subtract a range of measurements. We will also begin to apply our multiplication skills to work out the cost of items in both pounds and pence.

#### SCIENCE

Within Science this half term, we will be continuing to work scientifically by exploring the question 'How did that blossom become an apple?' Within this, we will be describing the needs of different plants for survival. In addition, we will also learn how to describe the life cycle of flowering plants. This topic enables us to set up our own fair test and observe how water is transported within plants.

#### TOPIC

Our topic for this half term is 'Why do some families become famous?'. We will be learning about the Hopwood Family and how they impacted the local area. Alongside this, we will be looking at comparisons of the Royal family, famous families and our own family. Within this, we will explore our own family in more detail with a focus on our family tree.

#### READING, SPELLINGS AND HOMEWORK:

**Reading** -10 minutes reading every night - please ensure your child brings their book bag to school every day.

**Spellings** - Given out on Friday for a test on the following Friday. Please practise every night at home.

**Homework** - The children will receive a maths reasoning task every Friday to be completed by the following Friday.

#### PE

This half term, Year 3 will develop their skills in dance and dodgeball.

We will continue to participate safely and engage in an invasion style game using their throwing and catching skills and team building skills. Within dance, we will learn and perform a sequence of moves to music.

Please ensure that children have the correct P.E. kits.

- Plain white T-shirt
- Black shorts
- Trainers or pumps

#### SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please try to ensure that all children's uniform (including their coat) has your child's name in it. This will help reduce the number of lost items.

#### THE YEAR 3 TEAM

**Maple** – Mrs Keneally and Mrs Sedgley

**Yew** – Mrs Swaine and Miss Betchley