

# Welcome back Year 3!

## Welcome back

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you all had a brilliant Christmas break and are feeling ready for our new term.

Before Christmas we enjoyed learning all about the Stone Age. Highlights included creating our own cave paintings and learning about Stone Age animals and how to write Stone Age stories during our virtual visit from the author Robin Price.

Well done to Year 3 for a brilliant carol service at St Thomas' Church. We had a fantastic turn out and the children sang beautifully! We also had great fun at our Christmas parties. Thank you for all the food contributions.

Well done Year 3 for a great first term!

## What's coming up

Our next topic is all about Sustainability. We have two really exciting texts to share with the children which much of our learning will be based on. Both 'One Plastic Bag' by Miranda Paul and 'Galimoto' by Karen Lynn Williams explore themes of recycling and repurposing, the perfect inspiration for our own DT project where we will be creating something entirely from recycled materials.

In Maths, our focus moves from column addition and subtraction to formal written methods for multiplication and division. Any additional practice of times tables at home will be extremely beneficial for the children whilst learning these new methods in school.



## PE days

3LR- Monday and Wednesday

3R – Monday and Tuesday

3MRB – Tuesday and Wednesday

3BT – Monday and Wednesday

Please can children come to school in their PE kits on their PE days.

## Uniform

Please make sure uniform, coats, hats, scarves and water bottles are all labelled. For PE, children are expected to wear a white t-shirt or polo-shirt, black bottoms (shorts, leggings, jogging bottoms) and trainers. School jumpers or appropriate hoodie can be worn for PE outside.

## Reading at Home

Whilst we do not set any formal homework at Avenue Junior School, we do ask that you spend 10 minutes each day reading with your child. The benefits of this are wide ranging.

Children have all been given a reading record. We hope that you will support us in filling these in regularly to keep a record of what your child has been reading.

## Curriculum Map

A curriculum map will be sent out via email and Class Dojo and is also available on the school website. The curriculum map provides you with a brief overview of our learning for this half term.