

## Year 3 News

### Spring 1

School closes on Friday 17 February 2017

School re-opens on Monday 27 February 2017

#### Curriculum information: topics for the term

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Scrumdiddly-umptious!	Predators	Mighty Metals and Heroes	Gods and Mortals	Urban Pioneers	Flow

#### Timetable

Monday	Reading	English	Maths	Topic
<b>Tuesday</b>	Reading	English	Maths	PE and Spanish
<b>Wednesday</b>	Reading	English	Maths	Science
<b>Thursday</b>	Reading	English	Maths	Topic
<b>Friday</b>	Reading	English	Maths	Topic

#### Homework

	Given out	Collected in	Test
<b>Maths</b>	Friday	Thursday	Times Tables: Wednesday
<b>Spellings</b>	Friday	Thursday	Thursday

#### Forthcoming events

Date	Event
<b>24/01/2017</b>	Parents Evening – more information to follow



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### A message from Mr Colley and Mrs Commane

Last half-term, we really enjoyed our Predators topic! We had a fantastic visit from Krafty Kritters where the children met a python, a boa, a blue-tongued skink, a tortoise, two barn owls, a goliath bird-eating tarantula and a scorpion. This inspired the children to do some fantastic writing about animals and there were some great stories from both Year 3 classes.

This half-term our topic is about heroes and superheroes, with a focus on forces and metals in science. We would like the children to think about who their heroes are and why. We will be researching some famous explorers such as Ernest Shackleton. Don't forget that all the children are in a 'house' named after an explorer: either David Livingstone, Marco Polo, Christopher Columbus or James Cook. If the children would like to do some extra research at home about any heroes or superheroes this would be brilliant. We would also encourage them to get cracking on the new homework grid, which they will bring home.

Also, a big thank you to everyone who has Hi5'ed back on the Marvellous Me app. Class 9 and Class 10 have received over 3000 Hi5s between them, which is amazing (and makes us the highest year group in the school)! Let's try to beat that total this half-term.

Lots of children have been reading on a regular basis in Year 3, which is great and is crucial to your child's progress this year. Remember just 10 minutes a day adds up to 60 hours over the year! If your child is enjoying a book from the library, or from home, you are very welcome to record it in the school reading record (it doesn't just have to be the school scheme books).

A reminder that we will continue with the weekly times tables tests. Once the children have passed the 2s, they will be moved up to the 10s, then 5s, 3s, 4s, and finally 8s. They need to know each of these tables (up to 12x the number) by the end of Year 3, so practising at home would be great. There are also some useful times table apps for smart phones and tablets, such as Hit the Button and DK Ten Minutes a Day Times Tables.

As always, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch.