



## Newsletter Spring 1—2020

Teachers —Miss Bryden (3B) and Miss Whale(3W)  
Classroom Assistants—Mrs Dunnington (3B & 3H)and Mrs Allanson (3B)  
Mrs Brook and Miss Pickles (3W)

Other members of staff who your child will be taught by: Mr Wilkie and Miss Hutchinson

### This half term's topic title is: **Rocks, Relics and Rumbles**

In **English** we will be focussing on:

**Reading Comprehension**— Using a variety of text types, we will continue to practice reading fluently and develop our key reading skills.

**Newspaper Reports**—We will be exploring examples of Newspaper reports, and then write an exciting news article about a volcanic eruption.

**Story Writing**— Based on 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit, we will compose our own natural disaster adventure story.

In **Maths** we will be focussing on:

- Multiplication and division (mental and written methods)
- Continuing to learn the X3,X4 & X8 tables as well as applying our knowledge of the X2,X5 & X10 tables.

In **R.E.** we will be exploring the question: What kind of world did Jesus want?'

To help us answer this, we will be learning about the calling of the first disciples, and find out about how Christians try to follow Jesus today.

In **Science** we will learn all about skeletons! We will find out about the important role of bones in humans as well as animals. We will find out about vertebrates and invertebrates, and discover how animals adapt to their environments.

In Geography we will be learning about the features and characteristics of Earth's layers, and explore volcanic, tectonic and seismic activity.

We will be doing **P.E.** on **Mondays and Thursdays.** Please ensure your child has **indoor and outdoor PE kit for these days.**  
**Mr Wilkie will lead P.E on a Monday.**

In **Computing** we will be learning about the importance of Internet Safety.

**Reading books** – Children will choose their own reading books based on their ZPD range and how well they do on their quizzes. Please try to listen to your child read 4 times a week and sign their reading record to say this has been done.

**Homework**— This goes home on a Friday due back the following Friday. We will send home spellings to learn and maths questions based on learning in class. We will also ask children to work on one creative task based on our topic over the half term.

**We hope your child will be very happy and enjoy their learning in Year 3 this half term.**  
If you have any questions or concerns please see your child's class teacher in the first instance.