

## Year 3 Newsletter 3

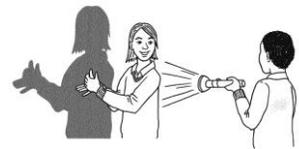
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have continued our text based unit, 'The Worst Witch' by Jill Murphy. After reading the opening chapters, we have gleaned lots of creative ideas about the main character Mildred. We have then written a character description about Mildred using expanded noun phrases and similes. Our spelling focus has been to continue to revise some of the rules for adding the suffixes -ed and -ing.

In Numeracy, the children have been finding 10 and 100 more and less than a given number and reasoning using mathematical vocabulary. They then extended their learning by completing some problem solving activities, eg finding numbers which could be in between two given numbers.

In Science, the children have started investigating light and exploring how shadows are formed. They have used torches to help them to answer some very tricky questions!



In Indoor PE, the children have watched and followed a selection of fitness DVDs and learnt the importance of keeping fit and exercising. They have also started to think about developing their own routines ready for creating their own fitness videos in the coming weeks. We have all enjoyed this and are excited about performing our final routines for the rest of the class.

As we are approaching our puppet making week, the children have explored different types of puppets and investigated their materials, features and purpose. In preparation for making our puppets, using the design specification, the children have designed their own hand puppet and thought about the materials they would like to use. A letter inviting you to join us in class when we make the puppets will be sent out next week.

As a reminder, if you have any scraps of material, buttons, beads or ribbons at home which the children could use to decorate their puppets please send them into school and they will be put to very good use. Many thanks if you have already sent things in to school with your child.



Many thanks,

Miss Tingle and Mrs Hirst