

## Year 3 Newsletter 2

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Dear Parents/Carers,

In English this week, we have begun our first text based unit, 'The Worst Witch' by Jill Murphy. Focusing on the story setting has enabled the children to write descriptively using a range of adjectives. Our spelling focus has been to revise the days of the week and the upcoming months and these will be tested next week.

In Maths this week, we have been looking at how well we understand numbers up to 1000 and using various apparatus such as counters and sticks and bricks to help with this. We have completed our first times table probe for the year. Keep practising everyone! ☺ Just a reminder that by the end of Year 3, children should aim to be able to recall multiplication and division facts for x2, x5, x10, x3, x4, x6 and x8 tables.



In DT, the children have been looking at popular children's stories and designing their puppet character based on a story of their choice. They have thought about the materials and techniques they will need to use to construct their puppets. We will be finalising our designs and beginning to work on prototypes in the coming weeks.

Reading stages have been checked and a reading book should be sent home today. Your child's reading stage may not have changed since Year 2. This will be because we would like ensure that your child is able to understand and talk about what they have read confidently.



Finally, we are encouraging the children to take responsibility for their belongings. This includes sweatshirts, coats, lunchboxes and water bottles which they **must** take home at the end of each day. Well done to all the children who have remembered our PE timetable and had their kits in school.

Many thanks,

Miss Stephenson and Mrs Ollerenshaw