## Class 3 Curriculum Update December 2020

December's Values: Excellence and Appreciation



Welcome to the last Curriculum Update for the autumn term. It has been a very busy and intense term with lots of similes and laughter. The children have worked very hard this term and have earned a well-deserved rest.

It was great to get in touch with all of you since you received your child's report and thank you for your time and patience in waiting for me to get in touch with you. Although we were not able to take part in our virtual visit with a member who filmed on 'Perfect Planet', due out on 3<sup>rd</sup> January we were able to take part in a virtual fieldtrip to Chester Zoo as part of a BBC live lesson. Unfortunately, our class weren't mentioned in a shout out but the children enjoyed the experience nonetheless. Finally, this week saw our Christmas party at Forest School, which was a great ending to this term, with a treasure hunt, pass the parcel, hot dogs and marshmallows plus other games. The children all had smiles on their faces. I hope you all have safe, peaceful and enjoyable Christmas break.

## Class Page

If you have not already, then please check out the photos on our class page.



## Madley TV

There are many videos of the children during Samba sessions for you to enjoy if you have not seen them.

Since the last curriculum update in November, we finished our clay mythical beasts, adding details using acrylic paint and the effect is amazing. These came home yesterday and the children were very proud of their outcome.

In our writing, we created a persuasive letter to free the animals from behind cages at West Midland Safari Park after a discussion about animals in captivity that was part of our work on 'The Black Hat' and created our own short story with just a picture as a stimulus.

In our maths, we have explored multiplication and division, through sharing and grouping and linking these to the 3,4 and 8 times tables. We have also learnt to use the inverse to check our calculations.

In French with Mrs Blaker, the children have learnt numbers 11 to 20, about family and written sentences all about themselves. They have done lots of translation and role-play through using greetings and phrases. The children's speaking, listening and the use of different sounds in the lessons has been amazing.

Our theme work has had a Christmas theme to it in recent weeks with some sketching from an excellent artist called Rob Biddulph. He has shared some You Tube videos of how to draw an elf and a snowman. If you want to try at home, they can be found through searching the #DrawWithRob.

The children really enjoyed the reindeer run this week, despite not being able to use the bark path they adapted really well to run many laps around the Parish Hall.

It was great to have so many class entries for Madley's Got Talent, the children who took part should be commended for their courage, and bravery as it is not an easy thing to do. Only one entry from each class could make the grand final and it was very difficult to decide. Unfortunately, our class winner did not win the grand final but they were a great representative for the class in the virtual grand final.