

Class 3 Curriculum Update

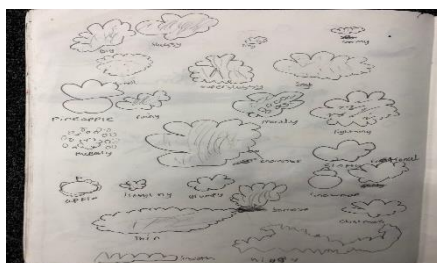
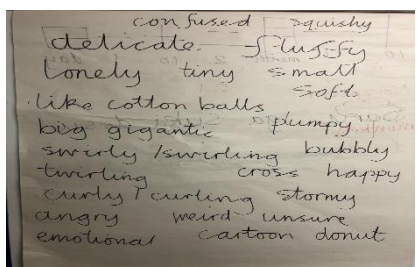
January 2020

January's Values: Sustainability and Gratitude



Crazy Climate & Wacky Weather

No, this is not just describing the weather in the UK and around the world in recent weeks but is the name of the theme for this term. It will begin with looking at the different types of clouds, carrying out experiments and observing to learn more about how clouds are formed and why it rains. We will also make our own rain gauge to gather data about the rainfall during the week and will observe the weather at different points throughout the day to see what the most common weather is within that week. Our writing will begin with some poetry linked to weather; and some stories of adventure with a link to different forms of weather and extreme weather. In addition, we will research clouds more in depth to produce a non-fiction text after using cotton wool to help us make some of the different types of clouds. The term will also touch on the tragic bushfires in Australia and how we could help as a school with the children leading the ideas to help raise money in some way to donate to the cause. We also already have two curriculum visits planned to the Hereford Waterworks Museum and Elan Valley, which will also both help us with learning more about the water cycle.



Keep an eye on the class photos folder on website for even more photos throughout the year.

PE kit reminder - Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school every day, as sometimes there are changes.

This term we are going to be doing:

Gymnastics indoor on Wednesdays. White t - shirt and black shorts.

Running in Friday workshops outside. Outdoor trainers, socks, leggings or tracksuit bottoms, white t-shirt and hoodie or a jumper.



Swimming

This term we will be going swimming on Friday mornings. It is a legal requirement that children learn to swim confidently and know how to stay safe in and around water. Children are allowed to wear goggles (if they have them) and need their own swimming hat if they have longer hair. We are looking forward to seeing how well the children do this term and how many badges they can collect for their passport, which will go with them through school.

Forest School

This half term we will continue with forest school sessions on a Tuesday afternoon unless there is a curriculum visit.

A reminder about clothing.

- Tracksuit bottoms/trousers/leggings (not jeans)
- Fleece or jumper over a t-shirt.
- Warm coat
- Warm socks
- Wellies/waterproof boots
- Gloves/hat

Old clothes are best. Thank you to all parents/carers who send their child in with the correct clothing.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 11th February - Elan Valley

Wednesday 12th February - Class Assembly

Hereford Waterworks Museum - Tuesday 3rd March 2020

Homework

TT rockstars, reading for 15 minutes a day and spelling shed are still the weekly homework. To add to the weekly assignments on spelling shed children will need to start learning the Year 3 and 4 common exception words. If you require a paper copy of the weekly homework please let me know. There has been a positive impact for those doing their weekly homeworks and does have an impact in class. A copy of these can be found on the class page under learning guidance should you need them.

Finally, I hope you all enjoyed the festive period and have a good 2020. Can I also thank those for the gifts and cards we received, we are very grateful. Remember, if you do have any concerns please contact the office.

Mr Freeman and the Year 3 team.