



The days are getting shorter and cooler (but not always that much cooler...), as we work our way through November. Year 3 are working brilliantly hard in their Maths, where they have really persevered with column addition and subtraction, and in their English, where their writing is becoming more detailed, organised, and so enjoyable to read!

We are now gearing up towards Christmas so expect some singing of festive songs to start and the excitement to build, despite it still being November!

## The next two weeks:

- In **English**, we begin looking at rhyming poetry, with the help of Spike Milligan.
- In Maths, we start our multiplication and division learning by looking at arrays and revising our Year 2 understanding.
- In Science, we will explore shadows, mirrors, and safety in UV light.
- In **R.E.**, we will look at stained glass and nativity artwork to inspire our own art pieces.
- In **Computing**, we will learn how to create our own PowerPoint presentations.



## Celebration of Christmas under the Stars

As you will now be aware, we are preparing for our Christmas Service, taking place in the Marquee on the Big Field at Brockham site on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November** at **5pm**. We are very much looking forward to seeing you there but please do remember to wrap up warm and bring your sensible shoes! A letter will be sent out next week finalising all timings and arrangements.

### **Homework**

Thank you to those children who have brought in their beautiful, creative posters about Ancient Egypt. We look forward to seeing the rest come in next week! This week, we have set the usual spellings homework however, **the task is in the** 

children's homework books rather than Reading Diaries!

Next week, their homework task will be to learn the relevant lines for our Christmas Service.



## Anti-Bullying Week

cks What a lovely turn-out of odd socks we had on Monday!

As linking with our PSHE on Celebrating Difference, we discussed a lot about the meaning of difference and the importance of being unique. Recently in PSHE, we have looked at conflict resolution and the 'Solve it Together' technique.

Next week, Years 3 & 4 are luck to have been invited to take part in an Anti-Bullying workshop, run by Open View Education. In this session, the children will practise their conflict resolution skills; understand the importance of body language and tone of voice in resolving conflicts; and where to access support if they see or experience bullying.

# **Spelling Patterns**

Week beginning 20/11: Adding the suffixes '-er' and '-est' to root words. Week beginning 27/11: Adding the suffix '-less' to root words.

# **Reminders**

For Gymnastics, the children must wear short sleeved t-shirts and shorts in order to take part safely. With the growing winter weather, your child is more than welcome to come in with joggers on top of shorts, leggings underneath shorts, shorts in their bag, joggers in their bag - whatever works for you! However, *please* ensure they have a pair of shorts to take part in the P.E. session.



Thank you and have a lovely weekend, Mr. Evenden and Miss Tennent