# Orth Down

# Year 3 Learning Letter 🗸

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Spring is on its way! Well done to Year 3 for hitting the ground running after Half Term for this very short run up to Easter. Now in the second half of the year, we are working on developing children's independence in terms of pushing themselves to make sure that every piece of work is the best they can produce.

### The next two weeks:

- In **English**, we will write our own persuasive letters before starting learning about autobiographies.
- In **Maths**, we will look at equivalent fractions before moving onto Mass and Capacity.
- In **Science**, we will start our Plant unit looking at the functions of leaves.
- In **Topic**, we will look at villages, towns, and population sizes.
- In **P.E.**, we will be continuing Disco Dance and starting Tennis!
- In Art, we will being looking at working with different mediums including thread and cloth.

## **Surrey Wilder Schools Action for Nature**

Surrey Wildlife Trust has been working with North Downs to encourage practical actions beyond the school grounds and help nature thrive.

Complete one or more Actions for Nature at home or in your community, and the school will be in with a chance of winning a £500 grant towards outdoor learning equipment.

It isn't hard or expensive to help our wildlife, your action could be as simple as a litter pick! If you're lucky enough to have a garden, you could feed the birds, plant pollinator-friendly plants or go chemical-free.

#### How to take part:

Explore your possible Actions for

Nature: <a href="www.surreywildlifetrust.org/actions">www.surreywildlifetrust.org/actions</a>
Once you've completed your Action for Nature, record your actions, upload a photo and view our actions map

at: <a href="https://www.surreywildlifetrust.org/nature-actions-map">www.surreywildlifetrust.org/nature-actions-map</a>

Surrey Wildlife Trust are also offering half-price membership to families that record an Action for Nature as well as entry into A prize draw to win a wildlife tech prize!

# **Greenpeace Plastic Count**

As part of the Big Plastic Count, we will be taking part in a whole school Homework and asking Year 3 to count every piece of plastic they throw away over one day.

This will be set 7<sup>th</sup> March to return 12<sup>th</sup> March.

# **Spelling Patterns**

Week beginning 04/03: add the prefixes 'un-', 'dis-', and 'mis-' to root words.

Week beginning 11/03: add the prefix 're-' to root words.

# **Planting**

If you have any unwanted or half opened seed packets, we will gladly take them off your hands. These would be helpful for us to explore seeds and germination closely but please only send anything you no longer need!

#### World Book Day...

is next **Thursday 7**th **March!** We invite children to come dressed as a book character of their choice.

## World Maths Day...

is on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March and we are inviting children to come dressed as their TTRS rock star avatar!

#### **KIRFs**

This half term's KIRF is:

Recall facts about measures and money

More information about this can be found on
the school website.

Have a lovely weekend! Mr. Evenden and Miss Tennent