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# Class News Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020

### Year 3

**Maths** – we are going to be looking at fractions and will recap work from Year 2 before moving on.

**English** – We are writing letters at the moment. Our focus is on using paragraphs correctly to organise the information in our letter. We are also looking at how to edit and improve our work.

**Spellings** – the spelling this week is focussed on words which have an apostrophe to mark missing letters.

**Foundation subjects** – In science we will be starting a new topic of Forces and Magnets. In RE we are beginning work on looking at the meaning of Christmas. Our PE lessons are being provided by Mr Hawkes on Fridays and the Windsor Sports Partnership on Tuesday in a Dance session and Wednesday in the classroom looking at Healthy Minds. We will start our first History topic which is Ancient Egypt. First we will look at where and when the Ancient Egyptians were around and the importance of the River Nile.

#### Homework

Spellings: week 2 (apostrophes of contraction) and will be tested on Friday.

**Reading:** Reading books will be sent home on Mondays and must be returned each Thursday unless they haven't finished them and want to keep them for a further week. If you are short of things to read I have set some books for every child on the Abacus website. There are quizzes to do alongside the books too.

**TTRockstars:** 15 children completed the challenge this week but quite a lot are not regular users. If you have difficulty accessing it please let me know otherwise please help your child to fit in a few minutes every day so they can complete their homework every week. It is good to get into this habit now so



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that they can cope more easily with the homework set up at their middle school.

**Maths:** I have allocated a game as well as the homework sheet for the week to Abacus and uploaded the homework sheets to the school webpage too. I may add some fraction pages too later in the week as I see how much we can remember about finding halves and quarters.

## **Touch typing**

The resources for this are still up on Purple Mash and will continue to be during the year. I can add further steps if needed.

# **Design Technology Lessons**

We are going to have a DT day on Monday November 16<sup>th</sup> and attempt to do the whole pneumatic model project in a day. We will be planning and designing it, making the model and evaluating it before taking it home at the end of the day.

The children will need a selection of small junk modelling cardboard boxes such as toothpaste boxes, Oxo boxes, boxes from cereal bars etc. **but only if they did not contain nuts** and perhaps one or two slightly larger boxes such as a small cereal or shoe box.

#### Art aprons

Please provide your child with a named art apron to protect their clothing when we get out the paints, pastels and glue. It could be an old, large shirt or T-shirt of Mum's or Dad's which can be worn back to front or an apron which ties at the back. Many thanks.

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