



Compassion

Trust

Wisdom

Fellowship

Friendship

Peace

## This week in Year 3

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

### **English:**

We will continue to build our understanding of the rules for punctuating direct speech. We will also practice retelling legends and listen to a retelling of the legends that children have read and practiced for homework.

### **Maths:**

In our new unit on addition and subtraction we will practise continue to practise applying the bonds within ten to larger numbers.

With Mrs Foster the children have now finished their unit on statistics and are moving on to multiplication. We will be focusing on the 2,5 and 10 x tables first and using arrays as a visual aid to support multiplications.

### **Homework:**

The homework to be sent home on Friday will be the usual English and Maths activities. It should be returned to school by the following **Wednesday**. If, due to exceptional circumstances, it is likely to be late, please let us know as soon as possible. Spellings will be sent home on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov and will be tested the following week on the 29<sup>th</sup> November.

Ten minutes reading and 5-10minutes times tables practice should also form part of your child's daily routine.

Coming home this week is the poem we will be resighting in Church for our Christmas celebration. Your child has been given 4 lines to say in a group, which are highlighted. They will need to know who they follow which is why they have been given more of the poem. It is a very traditional, well known poem so please take time to read it together, enjoy it and discuss the old fashioned language. This can be part of their reading homework

### **Spellings:**

This week's spellings to be tested on Wednesday are the words: dislike, disagree, discover, disallow, disobey, disappear, disapprove, disbelieve, disappoint, dishonest and because.

New spellings will be sent home on Wednesday following the test. The new words will mostly have the prefix 'mis' (meaning wrong or false) along with some conjunctions that some children are spelling incorrectly. The list will comprise the following words: misspell, misuse, misread, mistrust, misplace, misbehave, mislead, misheard, misprint, miscommunicate, when, before

Please remember to use a 'look, say, cover, write check, correct' approach for learning the spellings and to use the words in sentences. It is important to practise spellings daily so that they become embedded in long term memory.

### **Other Matters:**

- Many thanks to Karam for his fantastic presentation about Diwali and how his family celebrate the festival. They very kindly gifted our class a diya tealight and teacake which is a Diwali tradition.
- Unfortunately, the Athletics competition last week was cancelled due to a booking problem at Windsor Girls School. If the competition is rescheduled, we may still be able to benefit from this excellent competition opportunity.
- The children enjoyed making their Space week dessert pots so I have attached the recipe for you to enjoy at home

## The Earth's layer desert pots

### Ingredients

- 750g ready-made custard
- chocolate mousse
- red, orange and green food colouring
- 200g shredded coconut
- 200g chocolate biscuits
- jelly baby sweets

### Equipment

- three small bowls
- 2 sandwich bags
- rolling pin
- spoons
- clear plastic cups/clean clear yoghurt pots

We used a couple of digestive biscuits instead!

1. Divide the custard between three bowls.
2. In one of the bowls, add a few drops of the red food colouring and mix together.
3. In the second bowl, add a few drops of the orange food colouring and mix together.
4. Leave the third bowl a yellow colour.
5. You need to prepare the crust layer. Place the biscuits into a sandwich bag and seal it. Use a rolling pin to gently crush and crumble the biscuits into small chunks and powder.
6. Put some of the digestive biscuits into a separate sandwich bag and add a few drops of the green food colouring. Seal the bag and shake gently to ensure all the pieces of biscuits turn a green colour.
7. You are now ready to start building up the layers of the Earth.
8. In the bottom of the clear plastic cup, gently place a few spoonfuls of the yellow custard. This makes up the inner core.
9. Next comes the layers for the outer core. Add a few spoonfuls of the orange custard. As you add the different layers, make sure you are careful not to mix them together so they sit on top of one another.
10. For the mantle, we need to add a few spoonfuls of the red custard, followed by the chocolate mousse.
11. The final layer is the crust. Grab a handful of the plain crumbled biscuits and sprinkle carefully over the top of the chocolate mousse. Then, grab a handful of green biscuits and sprinkle this on the very top of the dessert.
12. Place the plastic cup in the fridge to set. This will firm up the layers and reduce the chance of them mixing together.
13. As a final decoration, to emphasise the fact that the crust is the outer part of the Earth, add a jelly baby sweet to represent humans standing on the Earth

