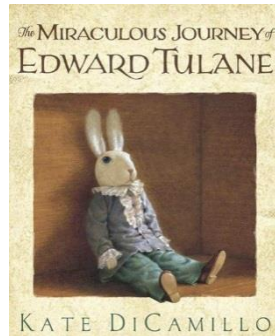


We will be exploring....

'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane'

Some of the fantastic writing we will be undertaking as authors are...

- Character descriptions
- Poetry
- Story maps
- Instructions
- Writing in role
- Narratives
- Diary entries
- Autobiographies



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Year 3 Newsletter Spring Term 2 2019

Welcome back to a new term. The year is whizzing past but we have lots of treats still in store this term..

Thank you in advance for all of your continued support.

From Mrs Ramsdale, Mrs McLaughlin,
Miss Singh, Mrs Luxford, Mrs Boyd,
Miss Nash. Miss Norman

Important Dates

Class photographs Wednesday 13th March 2019

Parents evening Tuesday and Wednesday 5th and 6th March 2019

Reading Breakfast 4th – 8th March

World Book Day 7th March (Magical Worlds theme)

Tigers Family Assembly Friday 5th April

Year 3 key information

Home learning and spelling is sent home on Fridays and is due back the following Wednesday at the latest.

Please keep up your home reading and enjoy our beautiful books.

Please ensure PE kits are in school and labelled. PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.

Pencil cases and stationery are not needed in Year 3

Our brains need hydrating and so please remember your water bottles.

As mathematicians we will be...

Measuring length, learning about equivalent lengths – m & cm and mm & cm. We will be comparing lengths, adding and subtracting lengths and learning to measure and calculate perimeters.

We will then be moving on to unit and non-unit fractions and making a whole. We will be focussing on tenths in particular, learning to count in tenths and to recognise tenths as decimals. We will be using our skills to calculate fractions of a sets of objects and of number lines.

How can you help at home?

Continue to encourage your child to read at home, both school books and books to suit their own interests – at least 3 times a week will really help. We are really working on asking the children to provide examples and evidence from the text they are reading to show how they know an answer to a question – so asking them to be a text detective and give reasons will really help.

In Maths, it would be great if they could take part in telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes on both analogue and digital clocks. They would also benefit from calculating durations of time e.g. if the film starts at 2 o'clock and lasts for 70 minutes, what time will it finish?

Later this year, we will be using the terms parallel, perpendicular, horizontal and vertical to describe lines in shapes. Please remember to help your child to quickly recall the 3, 4 and 8 times tables and related division facts. Please remember to revisit the 2,5 and 10s times tables and continue to play number bond games to 10 and 20

<http://student.mathletics.com/primary/#/launch> Mathletics logins have been given out www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games e.g Hit the button, Coconut multiples <http://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/football/supermovers> KS2 Tables <http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/problem-solving> - games for reasoning and problem-solving in Maths Maths Zone- <http://mathszone.co.uk/>

Chocolate



As geographers we will be finding out about:

- Where cocoa trees are found
- The factors affecting the growth of cocoa trees
- Cash crops

As historians we will be finding out:

- Who first discovered chocolate
- Who took the first chocolate to Europe
- About the importance of cocoa beans for trade



As scientists we will be:

- Identifying and describing the functions of different parts of a plant
- Exploring the requirements of plants for life
- Investigating how water is transported within plants
- Setting up simple practical enquiries
- Making systematic and careful observations
- Gathering and recording data
- Using results to draw simple conclusions
- Using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support our findings

As design technologists we will be finding out about:

- How to make our own chocolate
- What we can add to chocolate
- How we can package our chocolate

As artists and designers we will be:

- Designing wrappers for our chocolate products

