

# What's happening in Year Three?

During next half term, we will be exploring the question 'What is the journey of a river?' with a specific focus on Geography. We will investigate where the world's rivers are located, the different parts of a river and how they are affected by our changing planet.

During **English** lessons we will start by exploring poetry using our theme of rivers then writing our own acrostic poems using poetic devices.

Afterwards, we will remind ourselves of our persuasive techniques to form a persuasive letter arguing against pollution.



In our guided **reading** sessions we will be reading 'Sona Sharma, Looking After Planet Earth' by Chitra Soundar which discusses ideas around sustainability, linking with our Geography.

## Homework

The school will continue to set homework via Microsoft Teams. Please ensure that this is submitted by **Friday at 9am**. Including reading books and quizzing on AR.

Encouraging your child to **complete their homework** each week will ensure they practise skills learnt in class and are prepared for the following week's lessons.



Remember, talk is a great tool for learning so please encourage your child to talk about what they have done each day.

As part of our **Art and Forest school** we will be using natural resources to create a kolam - from our story 'Sona Sharma, Looking After Planet Earth' by Chitra Soundar.

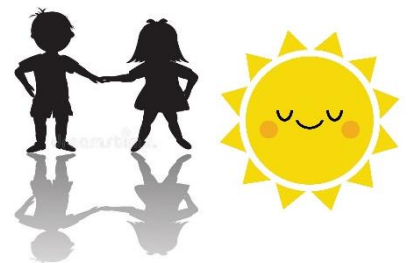


In **science**, our new topic will be light. Children will be investigating what makes a light source and develop their understanding of the light from the sun and how we can stay safe from the UV rays. Then we will look at how shadows are formed and how the time of day affects their shape and size.

Just a quick note to say thank you for your continued support and understanding. Please come and speak to us at anytime. You, your family and child are very important to us and we always want to work in partnership with you.

In **Maths** next term, we will continue to focus on multiplication, specifically practising the 2, 4 and 8 times tables. Following this, we will be re-capping column subtraction before beginning our work on unit fractions.

By the end of Year 3, children are expected to know their 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x, and 10x tables so please practise these regularly at home - TT Rockstars is great for this. You can also support your child by asking them quick fire calculation questions. Children can also practise their number knowledge using Numbots.



The children will continue to have PE every week on Tuesday so please provide them with the correct school PE kit: (red t-shirt and black shorts; tracksuits can be worn in colder weather). They will bring this on Monday and take it home on Friday.

Please ensure it is **ALL NAMED** clearly to avoid any lost items.

