Nearly Easter!

Welcome back! We can’t believe that it is already halfway through the school year.

As always, the last half term was a busy one but the children all seemed to thoroughly enjoy the Food Glorious Food topic and learnt a lot about where our food comes from and even enjoyed making their salad.

Children also thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the Gurdwara. Thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting this trip.

This Half Term........

Maths
This half term we will be covering the following areas in maths:

- Time, times tables, multiplication methods, division methods, fractions and measurement.

During our first week back, we will be learning to tell the time. As discussed at parents’ evening, the children will be put into different maths sets just for this week to help them learn to tell the time.

We also encourage children to be able to use their times tables knowledge and number bonds, recognising when these can be used in problem solving. In preparation for the year 4 times tables tests, the following website may be useful. There are timed questions similar to the ones the children will experience in year 4:

https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check

Homework and Reading diaries
Thank you for supporting your children with these. Please remember to sign homework books/sheets and encourage children to write comments in their reading diaries. We expect a minimum of 3 comments per week in the children’s reading diaries; 3 quality comments will earn the children smiles for their merit cards!

Spellings
As you know, each week the children complete a spelling test. These spellings are sent home each week. We expect the children to write each word out 3 times, using which ever method they prefer. These spellings are also available on our website, including the bonus word!

Water bottles—children need to bring a water bottle into school every day, especially as the weather may begin to warm up!
Our new Integrated Curriculum topic for this half term is 'Gateways to the World!'

During this topic, we will be locating the world's countries with a main focus on Europe. Finding out about the world's mountains and types of settlements.

In Science, we will be looking at light and shadows, investigating what shadows are and how they change throughout the day.

In RE our focus will be Salvation and the Easter story.

Our Jigsaw theme is Healthy me.

For PE, 3L will be concentrating on Netball and Gymnastics, 3S will be concentrating on Striking and fielding games and Athletics. 3J will continue to go swimming which will be the P.E. for this class for this half term again. Please make sure that PE kit, including trainers are in school and that all kit is named. As it is still very cold please ensure children have a pair of blue tracksuit bottoms and dark football socks, for outdoor sessions.

In Computing, the children will be looking for 'bugs' and trying to fix them!

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Thank you to all who were able to join us at our Parents' evenings. As usual, we will continue to make ongoing assessment of your child’s learning needs and may make changes in their groups or sets. Of course, we will let you know of any changes that may need to occur. Please feel free to talk to us if you have any concerns.

With our many thanks,

The Year 3 Team