

# Year 3 Newsletter

Week beginning: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

## English



We have started studying a new and exciting text called 'Into the Forest' by Anthony Browne. The children have loved the simple story that makes several links to other familiar fairy tales. Anthony Browne's use of colours and detailed illustrations are full of hidden meaning. This has helped the children develop a lot of inference skills. They have learnt the key vocabulary, answered questions about the text and analysed the illustrations with clear explanations. It has been wonderful to see that most of the children in class are now beginning to write independently. Their presentation of work and quality of written work is also impressive. We feel very proud of how hard they are working in English lessons!



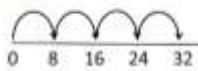
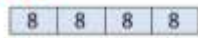
## Maths

This week in maths, we have solved problems on multiplying by eight and finding multiples of eight. The children now know that multiplication is the same as repeated addition. We divided numbers by eight using pictorial representations. We also worked on using related facts to find fact families.

$$8 + 8 + 8 + 8 = 32$$

$$4 \times 8 = 32$$

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The flowers are grouped into pots of 8  
How many pots can we fill?



24 has been divided equally into 3 groups of 8

$$24 \div 8 = 3$$

## Geography

We have continued our learning about mountains in our geography lesson. This week, we learnt how people are adapted to live on mountains to help them survive and thrive in mountainous environment. We also studied the geographical location of Andes mountains.

The **Andes** mountain range begins north of the **Equator** and extends through the **Equator**

The Andes mountain then extends south through the **Tropic of Capricorn**.

So what do you think the climate is like in the Andes!



## History

We have started our new topic 'Ancient Egypt'. Our very first activity was to begin to feel a part of the civilization we are learning about! 😊





## RE



In RE this week, we attempted to answer the question, 'What do Sikh people think and believe about God?' This is a tricky concept to grasp but the children listened to explanations respectfully and watched videos about believers expressing their understanding of God.

The symbol shown here is 'Ik Onkar' which means 'One True God'.

Mrs Glennon shared her wonderful experience of visiting the Golden Temple (a Sikh Gurdwara) in Amritsar, India.





## PE

We have continued to learn the skills of basketball, dodgeball and benchball this term. The class have surprised us this term with their team spirit and their excellent behaviour in PE lessons!

## Spellings

Group A have been asked to learn the spellings that are ticked and Group B have been asked to learn all the spellings. Group C will continue to learn the spellings given by Mrs Lepavoux.

If you have any questions about it, please feel free to speak to me.

## Woodland Learning

The Woodland Learning sessions for this term are:

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January (am)** – With Year 4.

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February (am)** – With Year 6.



Have an enjoyable weekend!

Mrs Pattanshetti, Mrs Glennon and Mrs Patterson 😊