



# Year Three Newsletter Summer 2018



Welcome back! Please find below an outline of the Year 3 learning journey for this term.

## English

Our first English topic this term is linked to the text 'Flotsam'. We will be reading the book and linking this to writing about the characters and themes of the story. This will culminate in the children writing their own story on a similar theme. We will also be looking at information texts whilst researching and writing about rivers and the water cycle. Handwriting is still very important; please help your child to show their neatest handwriting and presentation in their homework book. When reading with your child, please discuss what has been read to check understanding.

## Maths

During Maths this term, children will be consolidating methods for the four operations. We will be continuing our work on problem solving, investigations and how to work systematically to find a solution to a problem. By the end of Year 3, children are expected to be able to tell the time to the nearest minute and to know the 3, 4 and 8 times tables. At home, please spend some time practising these tables and also helping your child to accurately tell the time using both analogue and digital clocks.

## Our Topic

Our Geography topic this term is 'Water'. We will be finding out about the water cycle and how rivers are formed. Our water topic will link to Art, English and ICT lessons. We will be going on a trip later this term to the Science Centre at Deptford Creek where the children will learn about rivers as well as get to see a tidal creek up close!

The ICT focus this term will be on coding.

Year 3 will start to learn the recorder and you will be invited to a concert later this term to hear them perform what they have learnt. French lessons will continue throughout the summer term.

## Homework

Homework is set on Fridays and will consist of spellings, times tables and a writing or maths task. Spellings and tables will be tested every Friday. Please make sure your child writes each word they are learning to spell as part of a sentence in their homework book. Please read daily with your child as this makes a significant difference to their progress.

PE is every **Monday and Wednesday**. Please ensure your child has their full kit in school on Monday to ensure they don't miss out.

