# **Year 3 Newsletter Spring 2022**

Welcome back to the start of a new term, I hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break. It is nice to see the children back, well rested and ready to learn.

### **English**

Our first English topic this term is linked to the text 'The Egyptian Cinderella.' The children will be writing character descriptions, discussing the themes of traditional tales and comparing different stories in the genre. This will lead to planning, writing and publishing their own story on a similar theme. The class will also be looking at other texts linked to our topic Ancient Egypt.

#### **Maths**

We will be deepening our understanding of place value before moving on to reviewing the four operations. We intend to have a stronger focus on problem solving within a context as well as solving logic and reasoning problems. We will be continuing our focus on applying our mental mathematic skills through weekly practise and our multiplication test will be on Friday. The focus of the test will be a mixture of the 6, 7, 8 and 9 times tables, so please ensure that you are helping your child to practise a wide range of tables.

## **Foundation subjects**

**Science:** We are investigating Light and recognising that we need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light.

**History:** We are looking at the achievements of the Ancient Egyptians and exploring what life was like for the people of Ancient Egypt.

**Computing:** The class will develop their understanding of digital devices, with an initial focus on inputs, processes, and outputs. They will also compare digital and non-digital devices. Finally, learners will discover the benefits of connecting devices in a network.

#### **Homework**

Spellings will be given on Friday and tested on the following Friday along with times tables.

Please read daily with your child, at least 5 minutes or even one page, it should not be arduous or stressful.

PE will be on **Wednesday** with Coach Michael and the children will be learning Gymnastics. Please ensure your child comes to school in full PE kit on that day.