

Baildon C. of E. Primary School Parent Information Sheet

In English we will be:

- We will be reading *The Iron Man* and *The Night Gardener*. We will be using the texts to create purpose for writing to create a newspaper report and an extended narrative, whereby the children will write their own sequel or alternative ending to *The Night Gardener*

We will continue to focus on:

- Grammar and punctuation, including the correct use of basic punctuation, commas and inverted commas (speech marks.)
- Extending and improving sentences through the use of adverbial phrases.

Our Topic Is:

Helping Plants Grow

This term children will develop their knowledge about how plants can provide food for us. We will learn that all parts of a plant are important and serve a purpose. We will explore the factors which affect the growth of plants.

Light

We are learning to recognise that light is needed in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light. We will be focusing on reflection, light sources and how light is blocked. We will also be experimenting with how shadows are formed and how they can change shape.

In Maths we will be looking at:

- Identifying, naming, comparing and ordering fractions up to $1/12$
- Recognising equivalent fractions and pairs of fractions that add up to 1.
- Measuring, comparing, adding and subtracting: lengths (m/cm/mm); masses (kg, g); volume and capacity (l/ml).
- Continuing with arithmetic skills.
- Multiplication and division

You can help by:

- Listening to your child read at least 3 x per week and encouraging them to change their books weekly.
- Encouraging your child to play TT Rockstars at least 3 x per week.
- Helping your child to learn their spellings.
- Helping them organise what they need to bring to and from school

Please Remember:

- Homework diaries are to be brought to school **daily** and **signed** before being handed in on a Monday.
- PE kits must be in school on a Monday & Thursday (3W) and Wednesday and Thursday (3FH). We had an increasing number of children without kit prior to the holidays.
- Spellings will be given out on a Monday and tested via dictation the following Monday.
- Homework tasks are given out on a Friday and are to be handed in the following Wednesday.

Teachers:
**Mrs Fairchild, Mrs
Hanson &
Mrs Woodwiss**

Year Group: 3

Foundation Subjects:

- Our R.E we will be looking at other religions. Year 3 will have a particular focus on Hinduism and what it means to be a Hindu today. We will be visiting the Mandir on 5th February.
- PE and Games will include Circuit Training, Dance, Gym and Hockey.
- ICT this term is Coding.
- Our topic in PSHE is Identity, society & equality.
- In Music we will also be composing music linked to places.

Our Creative Curriculum topics for the term are a Design Technology project and a study of the famous local artist 'David Hockney.'

Throughout Spring 1, the children will be designing and creating their own patchwork tote bag. Many thanks to all who have sent materials to assist with this project. The children are very excited to get started.

We will also be studying the work of David Hockney, visiting the gallery at Salts Mill on 27th February and painting our own acrylic painting in the same style on canvas. An art gallery of our work will be shared with you on the 13th March from 2.30pm - with an opportunity for you to purchase your child's canvas if you wish. We will be holding a bun sale on 24th January to help fund our train tickets to Saltaire. All donations of cakes and buns would be very much appreciated.