



Dear Parents/Carers,

In English this week the children have been writing creative instructions for building a secret den using materials from a junkyard. We were very impressed by their imaginative and resourceful ideas! In Maths, we have been consolidating our column addition and subtraction (with regrouping). In History we looked at features of Stone Age dwellings.

Have a lovely weekend

The Y3 Team

Key dates

Friday 21st November - Wear neon mufti to school (£1 donation) and school disco

Thursday 27th November - Year 3 attending parish mass 11am. All parents welcome

Friday 28th November - INSET day

Tuesday 2nd December - Portals of the Past - Y3 Stone Age day

Monday 1st December - School Closed

Friday 5th December - Christmas Fayre

Monday 8th December - Carol concert in Pope Francis Hall 11am

Helpful Information

- Monday PE Both classes - Bring kit to school
- Wednesday Games Both classes- Wear kit to school
- Ensure all your child's school possessions are named.
- Things to bring in:
 - Named water bottle every day
 - Glue stick
 - Home time arrangement form - hand to class teacher please
 - Reading book should be in your child's bag every day
- **PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD'S TIMES TABLE BOOK IS BACK IN SCHOOL BEFORE THURSDAY EACH WEEK**
- Playtime snacks should be fruit or vegetables except on Friday.

Diocesan e Christmas card

Year 3 are very fortunate to have specialist singing lessons once a week with Mr Ellson through the Schools Singing Programme run by the diocese. Every year all the diocesan schools that take part in the Schools Singing Programme make a Christmas video card. The pictures, video and audio will be used in the Diocesan E Christmas Card which will be shared through Diocesan channels. This year's carol is "O Little Town of Bethlehem".

Last year's card can be accessed here:

[Children from across the Diocese have contributed this year | News](#)

Year 3 have once again been invited to be part of the diocesan Christmas video card. Please could you complete the permission form on ScoPay to indicate you are happy for your child to be part of this. We will be recording on **Monday 17th November** so need permission before this.

The Giving Tree

This Christmas season, we will be taking part in **The Giving Tree** to support children living in refuge (<https://kidsout.org.uk/the-giving-tree/>). These children can receive very little - or in some cases nothing at all at Christmas. Families will have the opportunity to take a tag from the tree, purchase the gift listed for a child, and return it to school. We will then take the gifts to the local collection point where they'll be distributed to children living in refuge.

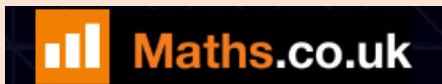
Each tag includes the name of a child and the gift they or their parents have said they'd love to receive.

How it works:

- Tags will be available for children to take **from Monday 24th November** from the tree in the school office
- Families can buy the gift and return it **unwrapped** to school, these can be left under the tree.
- Deadline for returning gifts: **Wednesday 10th December**. This then gives us time to take them to the collection point to be wrapped and distributed to the children in time for Christmas.

Thank you for considering buying a gift for a child living in refuge.

Homework

Spellings - tested on Friday 	Maths.co.uk - due by Friday 
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Times tables - tested on Friday You will find the times table your child is currently practising circled in their times table books. All times table books to be returned to school by Thursday each week. 	Reading - 15 mins per day RWI - please read the book your child has brought home. Accelerated Reader - please complete the quiz online once our child has finished their book. Find the link to AR here. Please complete at least one Accelerated Reader quiz per week (dependent on the size of the book). Renaissance

The Year 3 Team

Miss Corless, Mrs Thomas and Mrs Roussel