

Class 3 Update – 16.5.25

Dear Families,

What a fantastic way to finish the week – *The Wizard of Oz* was a truly magical treat for the whole school! It was a joy to watch the children's faces light up throughout the performance. From the quiet scenes in Kansas to the whirlwind of the Emerald City and everything in between, all the children were thoroughly engaged. A big thank you to the PTA for organising such a fun and memorable event for everyone!

VE Day Celebrations

VE Day was undoubtedly the highlight of last week! The children looked fantastic in their red, white, and blue—thank you to all the parents for your effort in helping them dress for the occasion.

We had a wonderful time learning more about VE Day and World War II. Class 3 truly did themselves proud with their part of the assembly, which was based on Winston Churchill's famous VE Day speech. It's no easy task to learn lines and then stand up in front of the whole school and parents to speak clearly and confidently—what a brilliant job they did. We are incredibly proud of them all.

If you haven't already, be sure to check Tapestry for the video of our Red Arrows display, along with a few lovely photos from the day.

English

This week in English, we have been busy drafting and editing our *Cinderella* stories. The children have put in a tremendous amount of effort, and we're really looking forward to seeing their wonderful final pieces come together next week.

Maths

We're continuing our work on time – always a tricky topic! The transition from analogue time ("20 minutes to 5") to digital time ("4:40") has been a bit confusing for some children, so any additional help at home would be beneficial. Next week, we'll be exploring the 24-hour clock and converting from the 12 to 24. Don't forget to check Tapestry for optional homework activities to support this learning at home.

Times Tables

We're having a big push on times tables at the moment, moving onto the 6s for Year 3 and 8s for Year 4. We've discovered some fun tricks to help us remember them – ask your child to show you! Keep practicing on TTRS for speed and accuracy – every little bit helps.

Science

It's been an exciting couple of weeks in science, with lots of "wow" moments! We've been

testing different surfaces to explore friction and learning about magnetic and non-contact forces. The children were fascinated to discover that while all magnets are made of metal, not all metals are magnetic. Well done, budding scientists!

Spelling

Next week, we'll be testing both our weekly spellings and the Summer 1 statutory spellings, which I have added below. Keep practicing at home – every bit of effort brings improvement!

Summer 1 – Year 3 Statutory Spelling

arrive
believe
grammar
favourite
important
height
perhaps
possible
question

Summer 1 – Year 4 Statutory Spellings

continue
enough
experience
interest
medicine
ordinary
peculiar
though
separate

Thank you for your continued support!

Wishing you all a lovely sunny weekend.

Mr Sturgess and Mrs Miller