



# The Holy Land

Curriculum Newsletter

Class 3 - Term Two

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope all of you have had a lovely half term. Our topic for until the end of the year is called The Holy Land. The Holy Land is a whole school topic which will explore a range of parables and bible stories. All of the topic ideas have been linked to the appropriate objectives required and have been integrated through the English and Mathematics work where possible, to make the children's learning interesting and enjoyable for them.

Kind Regards

The Class 3 Team - Miss Crosbie and Mrs Martin

## Home Learning

### **Reading**

Children should read at least four times a week and this should be signed off in their planner. Please can you continue supporting your child's reading by ensuring they are reading at least four times a week and if you could make sure that they bring their school reading book into school every day so that we can make the most of any opportunities we have of listening to them read.

### **Spelling**

Children will be given spellings termly to practice at school. We shall be doing a range of activities to aid these spelling patterns including investigations and spotting misconceptions. Additionally spellings will be sent home at the beginning of term. Any opportunity to practise these spellings is greatly beneficial.

### **Multiplication Tables**

Children now need to be able to recall their times tables confidently up to 12 x 12 by the end of year 4 therefore children will be expected to spend time regularly learning their multiplication and division facts throughout each week. We will be regularly assessing their mental recall of multiplication and division facts in school.

### **Weekly Homework**

Homework projects have been set for the term in their homework book. Homework will be handed in every Monday and children will receive their homework back with feedback. This homework will vary from literacy or numeracy work to topic based project work. There may also be extra activities that children may bring home at any time in the week. These will be to support their learning from that lesson and will only be given if the teacher feels it is necessary.

## How You Can Help

### **Useful resources and volunteers**

If you are interested in becoming a parent helper, who comes in weekly and listens to children read, or if you would like to support the classes learning but can't give up a weekly slot there are a few 'one off' opportunities you can volunteer for; just pop in and speak to the class teacher.