

# Year 3 Newsletter

January 2016

## Welcome Back!

We hope you all had an enjoyable holiday and we are looking forward to working with you over the Spring term.

We have all been working extremely hard so far this term to help get Father Christmas into shape. We have been learning about healthy lifestyles to be able to give him advice on how to shift a few pounds and become a healthier person. We have been busy creating Zumba routines and learning about our own bodies and the importance of looking after ourselves.



## Keeping Safe

Keeping children safe is our main priority here at Oak Hill and we would like to share ways with you on how to keep the children safe whilst using the internet at home. The internet is an extremely valuable tool for learning but we need to be aware of their safety whilst using this resource.

The children are encouraged to choose the child friendly search engine Kid Rex to gain access to new information. This is a website designed by google which has integrated filters to ensure that the children have access to appropriate content whilst using the internet.

Here is the website address for you to have a look at:

<http://www.kidrex.org/>

If you would like any support at home with e-safety then please don't hesitate to contact us.



## Help at Home

Your child will have received their new targets for reading, writing and maths for the next half term. We will be working on these at class to support the children in their progress.

Here are some questions that you can ask your children whilst **reading** at home:

- Why have they done that?
- Do you agree with what they have done? Why/ why not?
- What would you do if you were in the character's shoes?

To support your child with **Maths**, keep choosing different 2 and 3 digit numbers and ask them which tens number it is closer to.

E.g. 70 73 80

To support your child with **writing**, you could show them different pictures and ask them to write a sentence using a conjunction. A conjunction is a word which joins two sentences together such as: *because, and, so, if.*

## Thanks



In Key Stage 2 we are introducing 'thanks', which are simple looking questions to get you thinking and questioning. We will discuss the monthly think in class and add it to the newsletter for you to share at home and discuss ideas.

Our first monthly think is...

*Can you be happy and sad at the same time?*

When giving the think some thought, try answering these questions:

- \*What do you think?
- \*Why do you think it?
- \*Can you give an example?

## Dates for your diary:

**Thursday 28th January** - 3C family assembly and 3C parental engagement

**Friday 5th February** - 3L family assembly and 3L parental engagement

**Tuesday 9th February** - Parents Evening

**Thursday 11th February**- 3J family assembly and 3J parental engagement

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