

# Year 3 Newsletter

February 2016

## Welcome back after the half term break.

This week we received a message from the Channel 4 programme Time Team. We have been asked to help them create a presentation about the Saxons and Vikings for their viewers.

We really enjoyed our visit from a Viking on Thursday where we found out lots more about life at this time.

We are also busy this week developing our craft skills and creating a Viking shield and piece of jewellery. Please check the website soon to see fabulous photos of our current work.

## Targets

The children have been given their Reading, Writing and Maths targets for this half term. You can help them at home by:-

**Reading:** become familiar with a range of myths and legends. <http://myths.e2bn.org/>

Discuss different stories and compare similarities and differences.

**Writing:** Look at different mythical creatures and think of adjectives to describe the appearance. You could use a thesaurus to find alternative words.

**Numeracy:** Practice times tables facts. It is important the children can recall these facts quickly so regular practise is important. Try singing times tables songs or playing a tables bingo game. Also look for patterns to help you. E.g. If you know your two times tables you can use this to help you solve your four times tables by doubling.  
 $3 \times 2 = 6$  so  $3 \times 4$  would be double  $6 = 12$ .

## Important Dates:

**Thursday 3rd March**  
Tea Day/World Book Day. You may dress up as your favourite book character!

**Friday 18th March**  
Sport Relief

**Thursday 24th March**  
End of Term



## Water Bottles:

Please make sure your child has a labelled water bottle in school every day so that they have access to drinking water at all times. Please also remember a healthy break time snack.

Thank you

## PE

**Monday Outdoor: Tag Rugby**

**Thursday Indoor: Dance**

*Please ensure the children have their indoor and outdoor PE kit (with appropriate shoes) in school at all times so they can participate fully in all sessions. Thank you!*



**Homework**—Homework is handed back out each week on a Friday. Please ensure it is handed back in by the following Wednesday.

**Spellings**—Each week spellings will be sent home. Please practise these so the children are well prepared for their test every Friday.

**Reading**—Year 3 will visit the school library each Wednesday so make sure you have your book ready to change if you have finished it.

Make sure you are reading at least 3 times a week and are recording this in your reading diary.

Children who read 3 times a week every week for the half term will be entered into a raffle to win a new book of their choice!

## Think of the Month

Thank you so much to all the children who took the time to add their ideas to our think board. We have enjoyed reading them and discussing different opinions in class.

This month's think is...

***If I borrow a million pounds, am I a millionaire?***

When thinking about your response, consider:

\*What do you think?

\*Why do you think it?

\*Can you give an example?

Answers on the Think board please!

