

3DL Newsletter

November 2013

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term - and the run up to Christmas! Our theme for the next seven weeks in 3DL is communication. We will be exploring the history of communication; different forms of communication, including the rescue services; communication for the impaired; communication without words and television. In other areas of the curriculum, we will be working on story writing; the Earth and beyond; rhythm; digital animation; measures and Christianity.

Swimming lessons continue to take place on Tuesday afternoons (except for the last week of term) and Cas Tigers/Forest Schools on Monday afternoons. Please could we remind you about your child's swimwear. It has been noted by the instructors that not all girls are wearing appropriate swimming costumes. They should all wear a swimming costume with 2 straps and not a halter neck.

Homework and poetry to share at home will continue on a weekly basis. Many children have really taken to their poetry journals, and are enjoying digging deep into language on a Friday morning.

I hope you all received the letter sent home at the end of last half-term regarding our class visit to the National Media Museum in Bradford on Thursday 21st November. Please could you send all consent forms and contributions into school by Monday 18th November. If you have not received a letter, please ask at the main office. Something very strange seems to happen to letters between the children being given them at the end of the day, and them walking out of the door! A similar thing happens to homework quite often too!

It was great to have the chance to talk to so many parents at parents' evening last month. There are still a few parents who we have been unable to catch up with. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to speak to one of us about your

child's learning and progress, please contact the office or send a message with your child. I'm confident we can arrange a suitable time to ensure this important meeting takes place.

Appeal for boxes!

We are on the hunt for cardboard boxes that we can convert into film sets for our work on animation. Shoe boxes, large cereal/washing powder boxes would be ideal, but send in anything you think we could use - we'll certainly use them for something.

Children in Need

To raise money for Children in Need, the children are invited to come to school dressed in their onesies (or pyjamas) on Friday 15th November for a donation of 50p. There will also be a coin collection all week to raise extra money for this charity.

Diary dates:

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| Wednesday 20th November: | Open morning for parents 9 - 10.30. Come along and join in with your child's learning, followed by coffee in the hall. |
| Thursday 21st November: | 3DL visit to National Media Museum |
| Thursday 28th November: | Advent service at St. Mary's |
| Thursday 12th December: | Coach Lee day. P.E. kits needed |
| Friday 13th December: | Christmas musical celebration for parents |
| Thursday 19th December: | Christingle service at St. Mary's.
School closes for Christmas |
| Monday 6th January 2014: | School reopens |

Regards,

Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. Loring