

# Learning Launchpad: Spring 2, 2023

## YEAR 3 Miss Sleight & Mrs Morgan



### Welcome back!

We are looking forward to starting a new, exciting and very busy term! We hope you've all had an enjoyable rest and are ready to go again. This half term we are really excited to invite you into school for our very first Year 3 Showcase Afternoon. This will give you an opportunity to come in and experience the children's learning and for them to show you all of their hard work, we are certain they will blow you all away!

**English:** This half term we are going to finish writing our nature documentary in the style of Sir David Attenborough. We will then focus on 'The Spiderwick Chronicles' to inspire our learning when writing to provoke an emotional response. The children will have the opportunity to develop their reading detective skills. In particular, focusing on how to use evidence from illustrations and extracts of the book to make inferences and predictions. We will then move on to looking at recounts; teaching the children the techniques used to write an effective diary. The children will apply this learning when writing a diary in the character of Jared Grace from The Spiderwick Chronicles.

**Maths:** This half term we will be looking at 'Time'. We will recap learning from Year 2 and look at telling the time to five minute intervals before learning how to do this in 24 hour time too. We will then build on our learning to learn to tell the time to 5 minute intervals on digital clocks for both a.m. and p.m. We will also look at how many days are in each month and how many days are in a year and leap year.

**Science:** Our unit this half term is Plants. Our enquiry question that we will be investigating is, 'What are the ideal conditions a plant needs to grow?'

**History:** Our enquiry questions this half term are, 'What was the Ancient Egyptians' greatest invention? Who were the greatest inventors of the period? The Britons or the Egyptians?'

**PSHCE:** Our unit is, 'What makes a community?'

**RE:** Our unit is, 'What do Christians believe about a good life?'

**ART:** We will be focusing on Art & Design Skills looking at drawing, colouring, tone and 3D collage.

**PE:** Dance and Striking and Fielding.

### Key Dates

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – Return to school

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 – World Book Day

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Year 3 Showcase Afternoon

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Red Nose Day

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023 – World Down Syndrome Day

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Purple Day

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Parents Evening

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 – Break up for Easter

### Reminders

PE is now every **Tuesday** and **Friday**, your child needs to come in their PE kit that day. We will try and do PE outside as much as possible so please send your child in appropriate clothing like a tracksuit.

As children are now bringing in their own packed lunches to school, please can we remind you that we are a nut free school.