

Dereham Church Of England Junior Academy

Year 3 Newsletter

Trips

In Year 3, the children go on two trips which are both in the summer term. The first is just after Easter and is a trip to Africa Alive. The second trip is right at the end of the summer term and is a visit to Cromer beach and museum to hunt for fossils. However, these trips can only go ahead if we have enough contributions. We are hoping to finalise the dates and costs by the end of the month and hope that this will give people enough time to save if they need to. As a guide, we estimate that the total of the two trips will be less than £30.

English

In English we will be looking at myths and legends and writing the endings of our own mythical adventure stories. As well as using great description, the children will be required to think about how they vary the start of their sentences to make their myths really engaging.

Topic

We have just started our new topic which is about ancient and modern China. We started off with our geography hats on and looked at where China is and how far away it is from the U.K.. We imagined we were the pilots of a plane and worked out which other countries we would fly over to get to there. We also looked at the physical features of China including famous rivers and mountain ranges. Finally we all worked together to create a giant dragon for our corridor display.

Key Info

Swimming is back again this half term. Children who are in Keller and Owen's class need to have their swimming kit every Thursday.

Curie and Einstein classes will be having their outdoor P.E. lessons so will require their P.E. kit on Thursdays. Please put in tracksuit bottoms as it does get very cold. If you are unable to provide this, please let us know and we will try to do something for your child.

Thank you to all the parents who managed to attend our shadow puppet nativity in the last weeks of term. Remember you can still find the children's work on the website, so take a look if you can.

Maths

This week we have been looking at statistics and shape. We started off by looking at tally charts and how to put data into tables. We then looked at a variety of tables (including one about Pokémon) and answered questions. After that we looked at parallel, perpendicular, horizontal and vertical lines and we started to identify some of these lines in different shapes. Finally, we made our own survey and turned our results into a bar graph. Next week we will be looking back at our methods for adding and subtracting and using these to help us problem solve. All in all a very busy week back!

