

### **LOWER SCHOOL**

Welcome back. We hope you had a relaxing half time break.

### <u>Please make a note of these important dates coming up:</u>

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February- Year 2 trip to Windsor Castle Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March- Target Setting Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March- World Book Day - Bedtime Stories Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Year 1 Building Day

#### Homework



Your child will be set homework on Google Classroom every day. Please support your child completing this work. When the children log into Google Classroom, they will be directed to either EdShed or TT Rockstars for their homework. Your child should have been given the usernames and passwords needed. If your child does not know their login details, please ask their class teacher.

#### Reading

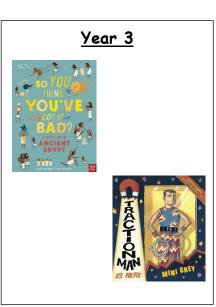
It is very important that your child reads every day. Please remember to sign your child's book when you have listened to them read. Your child will be able to change their reading book when they can demonstrate that they understand what they have read, this may be only once or twice a week. The children can also take home another book of their choice. Please read this with your child as well.



This half term the children will get to read and listen to lots of different stories. Below are some of the books they will be reading. Please encourage your child to tell you about the stories or read other books by the same author.



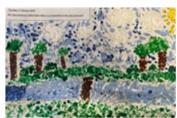




# Year 1

Last half term, Year 1 enjoyed their learning in Science where they had to name and classify various animals, including birds and reptiles. During one Science lesson, Mr Oakley brought in a seabream fish and they looked at all the key parts (eyes, fins, scales and tail) and learnt how it lives and moves under water. The children were genuinely 'wowed' by the lesson and produced some amazing diagrams of the fish.





The children have also enjoyed creating landscape scenes in the style They used his pointillism techniques and merged colours to make a landscape picture.

This half term, the children will continue learning about naming and classifying animals, design and build a product for home in DT, learn about the history of the school in History and use digital imagery in Computing.

## Year 2

Last half term the children worked very hard. They learned all about staying fit and healthy in Science.



They created some beautiful landscape collages in the style of Henri Rousseau.

Learning For Life lessons were all about teamwork. The children worked together to design and make shadow boxes based on stories they have read.



This half term the children will be learning all about plants in their Science lessons and learning about being safe in the world during PSHE lessons.

Our History topic is all about the Famous Queens of England. We are looking forward to our trip to Windsor Castle to see where Queen Elizabeth II lived.

### Year 3

We had a lovely start to 2024 in Year 3. In art we did some brilliant self- portraits in the style of Vincent Van Gogh using different materials to create different impasto techniques. In science, we learnt all about the bones and muscles in our body and what nutrients different foods give us. We also had our Egyptian Day and it was lovely to see all the children dressed up and having a go at mummifying a tomato! It was great fun to see how the Ancient Egyptians preserved the bodies.

This half term we are going to be learning about; the process of making different types of

bread in DT; the formation of rocks in Science and counties and cities in Geography.

Here is a mummified tomato compared to our control that hadn't been mummified.

