



Dear Parents,

I cannot believe that this is my final parent letter of the year! And what a year it has been! Thank you so much for the overwhelming kindness and support you have shown me over this last year as I have started my teaching career. I have thoroughly loved getting to know your children and teaching them every day. It will be very strange seeing them walk into Year 4 next year but I know they will continue to grow and achieve great things!

Year 3 have worked incredibly hard this term. Battling intense heat, postponed school trips and Covid-19 they have demonstrated great resilience and patience with the last-minute changes. This term we loved celebrating our history learning with our Ancient Greece Day and our sporting achievements with Sports Day during Sports Week.

Maths - We started the term with a focus on telling the time (digital and analogue), geometry (angles) and measurement (capacity). We even participated in the Primary Maths Challenge!

Continued timetables practise over the summer holiday would be extremely useful for all children to help them with this mathematical focus in Year 4 when they complete their timetables check.

Literacy - Our two class texts have been 'Mysteries of Harris Burdick' and 'How to Live Forever'. As a class we have looked at and created persuasive letters, posters, poems, diary entries and the use of emotive and descriptive language.

Please encourage your child to develop their love of reading this summer - it would be great if they participated in the Summer Reading Challenge.

Science - Our topic this term was 'Light and Dark'. We conducted a long-term enquiry of measuring the level of light every day at midday. Our conclusion from the investigation was that the level of light increases in summer months.

History - Year 3 have loved learning about Ancient Greece this term! I am seeing many historians in the making. We have learnt about Greek Gods and Goddesses, the ancient Olympics, Sparta Vs Athens and the legacy that the Ancient Greeks left behind. We also combined cooking this term with our history topic by making a delicious Greek Salad and hummus to feast on at our Ancient Greek Day.

Art - Our topic this term was 'Recycled Art', something the whole class feel very passionate about. We took something ugly (a plastic bottle) and recycled it into something beautiful. Our colourful fish also serve as a reminder of the danger of the amount plastic in our oceans.

Computing - Within ICT this term we have looked at PowerPoints. It has also been lovely to see the children transfer the skills they are learning in ICT and applying them to their homework. Touch typing skills are still being developed and something that is really simple and easy to practice at home.

It really has been an incredible year and I feel so incredibly fortunate to have taught these children in my first ever class. I will miss them greatly. Finally, a massive thank you to all the parent helpers that have helped throughout the year on school trips, cooking days, walks, forest school and reading. We would not have been able to do it without you!

I wish you all a relaxing summer holiday.

Best wishes,
Miss Spencer-Boyce

