



Dear Year 3 Parents,

As we come to the end of this term, I wanted to express my gratitude again towards you all for the continued support you have shown me. It was a pleasure to meet you all in person this term for Parent's Evening. Your child has continued to make great progress this term as they have embraced and settled into Year 3 and Key Stage 2.

We have also continued with team building this term focusing on empathy and kindness.

**Maths** - We started the term with the focus on Multiplication and Division (3s, 4s and 8s), Length and Perimeter, Fractions and ended this week on Mass and Capacity. I have been so impressed with how hard Year 3 have worked this term to learn and improve their recall of timetables and weekly arithmetic score.

**Literacy** - Our two class texts have been 'Escape from Pompeii' and 'Cinderella of the Nile'. As a class we have looked at newspaper reports, poems, diary entries and chronological reports. We do now need to keep working on extending our complex sentences with a variety of punctuation, conjunctions and enriching vocabulary.

**Science** - Our topics this term were 'Rocks, Fossils and Soils', and 'Forces and Magnets'. We have covered the layers of the earth and created the layers of soils using sweets. We have investigated types of metals and their magnetism and understand why magnets either repel or attract.

**RE** - This term Year 3 have been looking at Celebrating the Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation at school as well as at church in preparation for their First Holy Communion. We have also been focusing on the Catholic Virtues of honesty and patience.

**Geography** - Year 3 have fully embraced learning about 'Mountains and Volcanoes' this term. From learning our hand gestures to represent the different types of mountains to completing the actions for each of our types of volcanoes. We also loved how this topic linked with our literacy text 'Escape from Pompeii'.

**Art** - Our key artists this term were Guiseppe Acrimboldo and Holly Coulis, with the focus on still life. The children have studied, replicated and even recreated their own still life images in class and at Forest School.

**Computing** - Within ICT this term we have looked at coding and how to code. We have been developing our skills on Scratch to create stories, games and animations.

It has been a very busy but enjoyable term and I look forward to moving on to including History and DT into our weekly timetable next term. Mrs Deasy, Mrs Wakefield and I will continue to push and strive for neat presentation, self-editing and clear justifications for our answers as we enter the summer term.

I wish you all lovely Easter and I can't wait to welcome the children back for our last term together!

Best wishes,  
Miss Spencer-Boyce

