

# Hazel Class Newsletter – Term 3

### Welcome back to Term 3

We hope you have had a fun and relaxing Christmas holiday and a great New Year. We are thrilled to be in our new building and we are looking forward to lots of exciting learning opportunities in Term 3.



#### Maths

We will start the term by continuing with our work on fractions. We will convert between improper fractions and mixed numbers, then use this to order and compare fractions. We will also add and subtract fractions.

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Our KIRF for this term will be 'I can find factor pairs of numbers'.



## English

Our text for this term will be 'The Last Bear' by Hannah Gold. It is a wonderful story that links well with our Connected Curriculum topic. We will be exploring the setting and

characters of the book before writing a section of the story from Bear's viewpoint. We will also learn how to write an explanation text. We will be focusing on using adverbs for possibility, subordinate clauses in different places in sentences and ways to show cohesion in a paragraph.



## Connected Curriculum

Our curriculum question for this term will be 'Why is our world getting warmer?' For this term, we will be focusing on the different states of matter and using a range of scientific skills to investigate reversible and irreversible changes. We will also be exploring how greenhouse gases affect the world's climate and the effects that global warming is having on our Earth. We will focus on Bangladesh and discover the issues

that global warming is causing there, as well as what we can do to help.

# Home Learning

We ask that you support your child to read at home at least 3 times per week. Please record what they have read in their reading diary and sign and date it. Please ensure that they bring their book and diary to school every day.

Spelling homework will be sent home on **Mondays** on Seesaw and we ask that this is returned on **Thursdays**. This can either be done using the pencil or text function on Seesaw, or can be printed at home and you can upload a photo of the completed work to Seesaw.

Your child will also have a Times Table Rockstars login and we would like all children to practise their mental maths facts on this at least 3 times per week as well.

# PE

PE will take place on **Wednesday** and **Friday**. Please ensure that your child wears the correct PE kit to school on these days. This includes a **plain** house-coloured t-shirt, plain black tracksuit bottoms/leggings/shorts and trainers. The normal Elm Park sweatshirt or PE hoodie must be worn.

#### Water bottles and snacks

Please ensure that your child brings a **full** water bottle to school with them every day.

Your child may also bring fruit or a healthy snack for morning playtime (no crisps, chocolate bars etc. please).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office to arrange a phone call from us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Lugg and Mrs Kidger