



# Flax Hill Junior Academy

## Year 3 Newsletter – Autumn 2, 2022

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### This half term we are learning:

**English:** Our work in Autumn 2 is narrative writing and poetry. We are still encompassing lots of lenses from the writing rainbow.

**Maths:** Our focus is multiplication and division, measuring length in mm, cm and m, and measuring perimeter. We will be solving money and time problems. Also, we are using Times Tables Rock Stars.

**Science:** We will be learning about forces and how they impact our everyday life! We will be setting up a Science investigation and discussing the need for fair testing.

**History:** We are continuing to explore life during the Roman period.

**Geography:** We are continuing our work on the Rainforest and looking at habitats and the impact of deforestation. We will then be comparing Rainforests with the deciduous forests in Europe.

**Art/DT** The children will be completing our work on Rainforest art, focusing on shading and collage techniques. We will also begin to look at the work of Andy Goldsworthy. The children will be completing their money containers over the next few weeks.

**Music:** The children will be playing rhythm games and listening to a range of different music. Also, continuing with learning to play the recorder.

**French:** In French, the children are learning the seasons and talking about their favourite season in French.

**PSHE:** The main focus will be on friendship and being a good friend.

**PE:** The lessons with Mr Cross this half-term will revolve around gymnastics.

**RE:** The children will be learning about rules across a range of different religions.

### Message from the Year 3 teaching team:

We are so pleased with how well the Year 3 children are continuing to work hard and are arriving at school motivated and ready to learn!. Reading is an area we are promoting and the children look forward to our designated story time each day. All children should be coming home with a reading book from school to read to you everyday. We appreciate your support with this and cannot emphasise enough how important it is to instil a love of books in children from a young age. Can you please make sure the book is returned to school everyday?

Just to remind you a Star of the Week and handwriting achiever is chosen every Friday by class teachers and posted on Seesaw so please look out for this. Thank you for ensuring the children are arriving ready for Forest School, every Thursday, and PE, every Monday.

### Suggested Home Learning Activities

The most important thing you can do with your child is to encourage them to read. We hope that all children have the opportunity to read for at least 15 - 20 minutes every day at home.

With regard to Maths, times tables are so important and we are now trying to improve our rapid recall of multiplication facts. We are starting with revising x2,x5,x10 and then will move onto x3 and x4. Number bonds and telling the time are other areas that children can benefit hugely from practising at home. This can be done at any time of the day - even when you are in the car or walking to school.