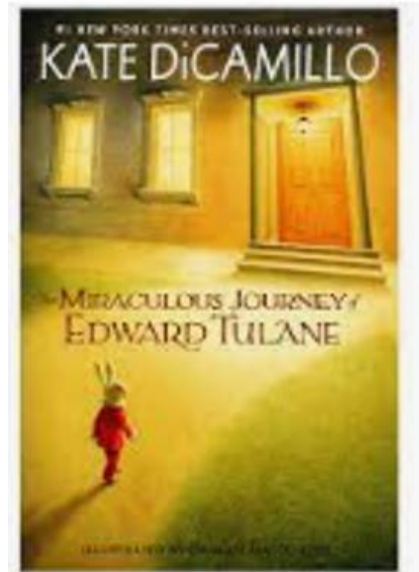


Year 3 Summer 2026 Newsletter.

Hello from Year 3. We can't believe we have already come to the end of this school year already! We have had a very enjoyable final term and everyone has been working very hard! Here is a snapshot of the 2026 summer term.

English This term we used a longer text, the paperback novel "Edward Tulane" by Kate DiCamillo, to inspire our writing. The children found out about Edward's adventures and how he learned the importance and value of love. They used drama to explore a scene in the book and wrote a mini playscript, which they acted out in groups to their friends. They wrote about the characters he met and the adventures he had, using the genres of diary writing and informal letters to write from his own point of view. They compared and contrasted settings and wrote about making wishes for the characters in the book. It was a good experience and taught them about empathy, the importance of kindness and to understand that some people's lives can be very different to their own experiences.



Maths The children have continued to work hard to learn their times tables and related division facts, using TT Rockstars. Learning to recall these facts by



heart is very important and will really help them to achieve well in the Year 4 times tables check as well as accessing the Maths curriculum in Year 4 and beyond. They have also used written methods to solve difficult sums and learned how to recognise

acute angles, obtuse angles and right angles. The children revised many different topics in readiness for their end of term assessment including, the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, units of measure for distance, volume and mass and they started to learn how to tell the time using analogue and digital clocks. They have also used positional language to describe directions and turns.



Science



In Science we have continued finding out all about plants. We investigated the parts of a plant, the life cycle of a plant and why bees are so important. The children took part in World Bee Day and dressed up in yellow and black. The costumes that some came to school in were amazing! They enjoyed making fact files about bees, researching why they are so important as pollinators and what happens when they use their sting.

History and Geography

In History lessons, the children found out about the Ancient Egyptians. Recently, a time traveller visited them from an organisation called "West End in Schools," and took them back in time to experience what it was like to be part of Ancient Egyptian society and the importance of the River Nile. Now in our Geography topic about Europe, we are learning about the cities, rivers and mountains of Europe and locating these on maps, as well as finding facts about them.



French and Music

Year 3 have really enjoyed learning French every week with Mrs Wills to practise their French conversation skills and expand their vocabulary. In Music with Mrs Firth, they have enthusiastically played the boom whackers, listened to different pieces of music and composed their own pieces too.



Finally

It is time to say goodbye to Miss Ismail, who has been a valued member of the Year 3 team. We wish her the best of luck for the future. Miss Barks is also returning to KS1 and Year 3 will miss her too! We welcome two new team members to the team in September, Miss Baker and Mrs Hayes. We know they are very much looking forward to teaching their new classes.



After all that hard work and excitement, everyone is ready for the summer holidays! Thank you to the Year 3 teachers and T.A.s for supporting the children and thank you to our parents and carers, for your support too. We hope you have a lovely summer holiday. With best wishes from the Year 3 teachers, Year 3 T.A.s and the children of Year 3.