# Year 3 Newsletter Week Ending 31st March 2017

#### Homework

Thank you for all of the efforts that have been made on the homework this term. It is evident a lot of time and effort has gone into completing the tasks. With your help, the children have been able to make some fantastic models, as well as the fact files and other pieces.



### Forest School:

This week the children had a much nicer and warmer day for their Forest School session. They played a range of games with Mrs Murray, learning about predators and their prey, as well as how the prey animals, such as rabbits, are able to keep themselves safe.



They learnt about how rabbits and other small animals have eyes on the side of their heads as opposed to at the front. This helped them to see all around the area, including behind them. The children experimented with this by using two mirrors to simulate the sight of a small animal.

After a few more games, they were able to explore and use their free time to do the activities that they wanted to do.

The mud kitchen was a popular choice, with the children using the water from the stream and the elements around them to create a wide range of 'meals'. They worked together well as a team, separating out the different jobs sensibly.





There was more collaboration shown down by the stream, where the children had found different pieces of wood and worked together to build a bridge across the water. It was then lovely to see that they would help each other onto the bridge, as the side became slippery. They worked sensibly and then enjoyed their work by going across the bridge, trying their hardest not to knock it down!

They had a lovely time out in the sunshine, showing a great

amount of collaboration whilst having fun!

## English:

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This week in English, the children were showing off their writing skills. They were given a story title, for which they had to design characters, settings and a plot. The children were excited over the freedom of their writing, being able to take the story in any direction that they chose. They were able to recall the rules for using and punctuating speech and now need to ensure that they are applying these within their writing. By the end of the week, they had written some exciting narratives, thinking carefully about what they had included.

### Maths:

In maths this week, the children have been continuing to look at finding change. They are becoming much more confident with the task, remembering that they need to add to find the total that has been spent, followed by subtracting from the money that they have, to find the amount of change.

As the week has progressed, so has their confidence!

I hope you have a lovely time over the Easter break!

Miss R Harrison