

## Year 3 News

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## Dear Parents,

This week in English, the children have been looking at the crazy things that animals can do (some are true and some are fake!) They watched a clip from 'The Literacy Shed' about giraffes high diving into a pool. This led the children onto writing a story about this and other crazy antics that animals got up to after a strange, mysterious thunderstorm in Leybourne. The stories made for interesting reading! This encouraged the children to use fronted adverbials and interesting adjectives in their writing.

In maths, the children have been focusing on multiplication. They were able to use their times tables to support understanding, however they needed a solid written method to enable them to go above their existing knowledge. I am sending home learning to support this and allow them to show you the method we use in school. Please continue to learn their times tables with them, they are moving forward nicely with the weekly tests; this will stand them in good stead for Year 4.

I am really impressed with the research the children did over the weekend on Tutankhamun and Howard Carter. I am still reading through them and getting the children to share their learning with each other.

Thank you for the tubes, each child was able to replicate their arm and elbow joint. This allowed them to create a great visual representation of how they move their arm and what role their muscles play in this.

We have Forest School next week, once again if there are any parents that can spare some time to help, it would be greatly appreciated. This is a time that the children thoroughly enjoy, however, it takes many pairs of eyes to ensure they are having fun and remaining safe. On that note, we are always looking for people to listen to the children read; if you are interested in this please speak to Mrs Hardy at the office.

In PE, we began to look at 'Tag Rugby' which the children really enjoyed. They are great at PE and really enjoy every activity we do. I am hoping that in the summer I will be able to offer more opportunities for outside school competitions to the lower key stage two children.

Please ensure that if your child has earrings they are out on a Thursday and a Friday when we have our PE sessions. We also have lots of cardigans and jumpers being left outside that aren't named. If we find them and the children don't claim them, they are then sent to lost property. We encourage the children to become more independent in Year 3 and take responsibility for their property.

Kind regards,

Mrs Wardle & Mrs Ward