

Dear Year Three Parents and Carers,

22nd May 2026

During these last few weeks, we have been focused with developing our athletic skills during PE. The children learnt how to do a standing start and how this can improve their speed, when in a race. They learnt to pass a baton with accuracy and speed. They enjoyed racing with their peers, and this showed in sports day during the activities and final races. They all found skipping difficult, which we will be supporting next term in PE, but this is something they can do at home too so happy skipping!

In Guided Reading, the book has been thoroughly enjoyed by the children and discussions around how Floella and her siblings were treated when they arrived in England have been thoughtful and considered. They have learnt new vocabulary relating to difficult topics like racism and prejudice and been able to show deep understanding what these words mean with their explanations and thoughts. Their inference skills are becoming advanced and accurate.

For writing, the children have successfully completed their non-chronological report about volcanoes and have now published their work in their beautiful books. Their handwriting is one to be praised and admired. This week, the children have designed a poster about volcanoes with writing, diagrams and photographs. They are eye-catching, visually stimulating and informative.

In maths, we have been learning about capacity and volume. The children recognise 1000ml is equal to 1l and they can work out the scale of a container. They loved using measuring jugs to measure volumes and to compare with different containers. They learnt to identify that a tall container might not have a greater capacity than a wide container, but it is all about the scale. This area of maths can be easily supported at home during cooking or just having water fun in the garden. Perfect timing for next week's heatwave.

In art, the children have loved creating artwork with doughnuts (not real ones) and exploring paint techniques with adding hues of white and black to show tints to a colour. They are so excited to finish this surrealist work as are we.

Please continue to sign your child's reading record every time they read so we can celebrate their progress, and they can receive their certificates. Thank you for all your continued support this term. Enjoy the holiday.

Best wishes, Year 3 Team