



# Year 3 Newsletter

## Summer Term 2

### What are we learning this half term?

In Year 3 this half term, our topic work is a Geography unit 'Let's Explore the UK' which explores the area of Matlock Bath where we will be carrying out fieldwork on our trip this week.

In Science, we will be developing our knowledge about animals including humans, creating food chains and learning about a balanced diet as well as looking at the human skeleton and exploring how muscles allow us to move.

We will be using our scientific knowledge of what a balanced diet is in Design Technology to design, make and evaluate our own pizzas.

In Composition, we are reading a new book 'The Tear Thief' by Carol Ann Duffy, which we will use as a focus for further developing grammar and writing skills ready for the move to year 4.

In Maths, we will be interpreting data presented in bar charts or pictograms, exploring shape, as well as problem solving with the four operations.



### New Vocabulary!

**Geography:** tor beck tourism  
industry contour lines Peak District  
population topography grid reference  
**Science:** food chain skull spine prey  
diet predator nutrition producer  
consumer support protection

### Home Learning

At home, the children are still expected to read their school book at least 3 times weekly. This needs to be recorded in their home school diary which is monitored by the teacher.

Also, spellings in line with the Year 3/4 curriculum will be sent home fortnightly to learn (sent home on a Tuesday to be tested the following Thursday). The children's scores will be monitored.

Children need to continue to work on learning their 10, 5, 2, 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

### Key Information

**Wednesday:** PE/Games continues on a Wednesday this half term.

Please ensure that P.E. kits are kept in school all week.

**Monday:** Swimming continues each Monday afternoon.

**Earrings must be removed for PE and Swimming.**

