Year 3 Update 2.12.22

In RE the children have started their advent topic *Visitors.* They reflected on what makes a good host/hostess and guest. They then wrote down rules for good hosts/hostesses. In alignment with advent, we have begun hanging up the children's handmade ornaments on the Jesse Tree and saying our prayers and intentions linked to the symbol and story of the Bible.

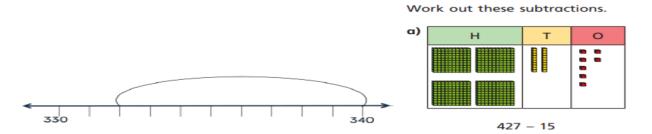
Host/hostess	The host at a party is the person who has invited the guests and provides the food, drink, or entertainment.
Guest	A person who is staying with you, or a person you have invited to a social occasion, such as a party or a meal.

In English, the children have been introduced to a new book called Dr Xargle's Book of Earth Hounds, written by Jeanne Willis. Firstly, the children made some brilliant and interesting predictions based on the front cover of the book. They then started to pick out particular 'alien words' from the book and translated them for example fangs-teeth, waggler-tail, bouncing sphere-ball and Houndlet-puppy. The children have used the headings Description, Diet, Habitat and Hobbies to brainstorm what they know about Earth Hounds.

Word	Meaning
Title	The name of a book
Author	The person who writes the book
Illustrator	The person the illustrates (draws) the pictures
Character	the people, animals, or creatures in a story
Setting	Where a story takes place eg forest, sea, house, jungle, space
Prediction	To make a good guess

In Maths this week the children have been looking at subtraction, using a number line and place value charts. Their knowledge of number facts and compensation have been very important.

Compensation	a way of adding or taking away numbers that you find easier	+9 (+10, -1) +11 (+10, +1) +19 (+20, -1)
Number facts	simple calculations with two numbers. They could be addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division.	 3+7=10 9-4=5 4x6=24 27÷3=9



In Science, the children have continued their learning about magnets. They have been learning about what materials are magnetic and what materials aren't. They have also learnt about attraction and repulsion.

Poles	North and South poles are found at either end of a magnet.	S N
Repel	Repulsion is a force that pushes objects away.	When a north pole is placed near the north pole of another magnet, the two poles repel (push away from each other).

Attract	Attraction is a force that pulls objects together.	When a north pole is placed near the south pole of another magnet, the two poles attract (pull together).
Magnetic	Objects which are attracted to a magnet.	 Iron Nickel Cobalt Steel
Non- magnetic materials	Objects which are not attracted to a magnet.	 Aluminium Copper Lead Brass

<u>Homework</u>

Their homework this week is Maths. This corresponds with this week's learning and should consolidate their knowledge.

Jazzy Jars

Year 1 are selling jazzy jars at the Christmas Fayre and would be extremely grateful if you could bring in some jars filled with sweets for their stall. If you are able to do this please your send the jars in with your child – many thanks.

<u>Messages</u>

- Please ensure that your child has a correct PE kit in with them on their PE days. The weather is really cold now so please ensure that your child has a **pair of light grey jogging bottoms**. Your child must also have a **pair of trainers** for PE. Wellies and boots are certainly not allowed for PE.
- Please label clothing with your child's name.
- Your child can bring in some 'spares' clothing which can be worn at lunchtime when playing sports outside, so that their uniform doesn't get dirty, e.g. a pair of tracksuit bottoms and a jumper. These can be sent into school in a labelled plastic bag.
- A reminder that your child can bring in fruit or raw vegetables as a snack to eat at playtime.
- Please make sure that your child brings a water bottle to school every day
- A reminder that **no earrings** should be worn in school and long hair needs to be tied up.
- Reading books and your child's homework diary should be in their bag every day.

Diary Dates

- Monday 12th December- British Museum school trip
- Wednesday 14th December Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper fundraising day
- Thursday 15th December PFA After School Christmas Fundraiser 3.30pm to 5.30pm
- Monday 19th December Class parties
- Wednesday 21st December School closes at 2.30pm for the Christmas holidays
- Thursday 5th January School resumes

Have a great weekend, Izabella and Corinne ③

Five Ways to Wellbeing



TAKE NOTICE

Over the next 7 days, count your blessings.

Spend a special time each day (maybe as you pray) to think of all the things that you can be grateful for in your life and how that makes you feel.