

We hope you had a lovely Christmas break and wish you a Happy New Year.

**This term in class we are learning about...**

Our topic this term is Our Local Area. We have already started to explore the closure of the Coalbrookdale Foundary. If you are in the area of Ironbridge, please talk to your children about its importance in our industrial history.

In Literacy, our first genre will be a recount letter. In addition, we will have a large focus on the accurate use of grammar and punctuation.

In Science we are learning about Plants and Animals. We will identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food. We will also explore the human skeleton and muscles.

We will identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants and explore the requirements of plants for life and growth.

Our investigation will focus on the way in which water is transported within plants and we will be taking part in two sessions, provided by an expert on bees.

Our maths will continue to work through the year 3 objectives, with a focus next half term on fractions and division.

## Lawley Primary School



# Year 3 Newsletter

### **Homework**

Children are given homework on a Friday to be handed in for the following Wednesday. All children are expected to do all homework set. This will include spellings, a reading comprehension and maths, which all can be accessed via 'Showbie' on the Ipad.

### **Reading**

Children should be changing their reading books independently when they need to. Children need to have their reading diary signed by an adult. They should be aiming to read at least three times per week in order to keep making good progress with their reading.

### **Other notices:**

Please make sure children have their correct P.E kit in school for both indoor and outdoor games. A correct P.E kit consists of a pair of trainers, pumps, tracksuit, house colour t-shirts and black shorts. Please can these be in school every day. Timetabled sessions for PE are on a Tuesday and Wednesday each week, but these can change due to other curriculum commitments.

### **Important Reminders:**

#### **The Bee Lady'**

We are looking forward to working with Alison Wakeman, once again this term. She will visit the children for three sessions, which will focus on the role of the bee keeper and bees. This links in well with our Science.

#### **Wilderhope Residential**

In year 3, we enjoy a 2 day residential trip to Wilderhope Manor. Although this is planned for Summer 2, we will have a meeting before the Easter break to provide you with all the information that you will need to know. A date for this meeting will be sent out at the beginning of next half term.

#### **Parent afternoon**

Our open afternoon for this term will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 2.15pm. We hope to see you there.

#### **Global Learning**

Next half term, the whole school will enjoy a focus on Global Learning. More information about this will be included in a newsletter at the end of this half term.