YEAR 3 SPRING TERM 2020

In the start of the spring term will be exploring non-fiction will recall our previous knowledge, from the autumn theme which included the Stone, and Iron Age. We will learn explanation text and develop fiction language skills in order our own explanation text on the Bronze and Iron Age. We will learn to organise our writing into paragraphs, with title, headings and subheadings, use different causal conjunctions, ask questions and write interesting facts.

Here are some links to support your child’s learning:

How to write an explanation
https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/english-ks1-ks2-how-to-write-an-explanation/zh2kjhv

Paragraphs, headings and sub headings
https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/subject/module/frontscreen/item305324/grade2/index.html

Next term Year 3 are reading Charlie and the Chocolate factory by Roald Dahl

This comedic and fantastical story follows young Charlie Bucket and his Grandpa Joe as they join a small group of contest winners who get to tour the magical and mysterious factory of eccentric candy maker Willy Wonka. Aided by his Oompa Loompa workers, Wonka has a hidden motivation for the tour, one that he will reveal only after the children in the group show their true colours.

We will be using a variety of sentences including, simple, compound and complex sentences. We will develop our story language and use interesting adjectives, adverbs, subordinating conjunctions and coordinating conjunctions in our work. We will be using dialogue and ambitious vocabulary to create our own chapter in the story.

It will be helpful for your child to have access to this book during the Christmas holidays and can start reading the story. Remember to read daily with your child!

Please find a word mat with key vocabulary we will be using this term.
Some useful links for these skills can be found on Espresso and BBC Bitesize:

Subordinating conjunctions:
https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/zqk37p3

Coordinating conjunctions:
https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/z9wvqhv

Using Speech Marks

Also during the first week back, Year 3 will be taking a spelling test of all Year 3 spelling words. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings (you can find them in the Reading Record book) which have been sent home with them along with timetables activities.