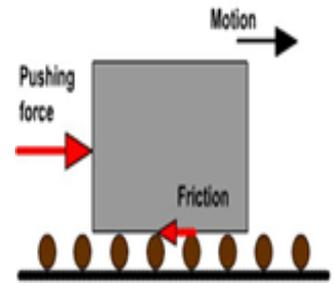


# Year 3 Newsletter Spring 1 2021

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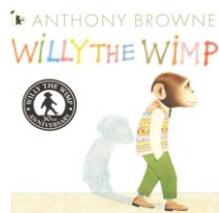


## Let the Force be with you

Dear Parents/Carers,  
We hope you and your children are all well considering such challenging times. We are still excited about teaching the children as we begin the new year by making the learning both enjoyable and engaging while they are at home.  
Here is all the learning for the coming term.

### Literacy - Writing

Our fiction writing this half term is linked to the story **Willy the Wimp** by Anthony Browne. This lovely story will help children extend their sentences using conjunctions and speech. Towards the end of the term, children will have the chance to build their confidence in non-fiction writing by writing a set of instructions for different purposes.



### Reading

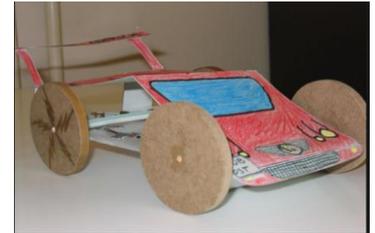
For guided reading, we are continuing to look at the differences between fiction and non-fiction. Children will also use inferences by looking at characters' feelings, thoughts and motives and justifying their answers using evidence from the text. Additionally, they will start to consider similarities and differences between different stories, identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these. They will also be making links between the book they are reading and other books they have read.

### Maths

This half term we are continuing to focus on addition and subtraction. We will look at adding and subtracting numbers with up to 3 digits using formal written methods, sometimes crossing the tens. Later in the half term we will look at multiplication and division using pictures and number calculations. We will use this knowledge to answer word problems.  
Throughout the half term, we will be learning our 3, 4 and 8 times tables and recapping our 2, 5 and 10 times tables. By the end of the year, all children in year 3 should know and be fluent in their 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

### DT

In DT, we will be having lots of fun making a variety of different things. For example, they will get the chance to make cars from junk modelling, towers from spaghetti, bridges from straws or spaghetti and show of their culinary skills by creative in the kitchen.



### Science

Children will have fun when they experiment and discover that there are powerful forces all around them. They will develop their scientific skills when they consider what it means to plan and conduct a fair test. They will explore and sort things which you push or pull, investigate the best surfaces to push an object along the quickest and farthest and learn all about magnets and magnetic objects.

### Key vocabulary

Accuracy		Measurement	
Design		Construct	
Evaluate		Engineer	

Please help your children to read regularly at home, look on the following website to find a good book:  
<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/reading-list-for-year-3-pupils-ks2-age-7-8/>  
Please also remember to encourage your children to practise their fortnightly spellings as well as their times tables using Purple Mash or Timestables Rockstars.

If you have any questions, just let us know by emailing [communications@carterknowle.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:communications@carterknowle.sheffield.sch.uk)

Miss Hudson, Miss Brailsford and the Y3 team!