



## **Autumn Term 1 Newsletter**

Dear Parents/Carers,

My name is Mr Malplaquet and I am the Year 3 class teacher at Firbeck. I am so looking forward to meeting you all over the course of the academic year and I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself and provide you with an overview of what we will be studying this term.

### **English**

To start the term in English, we will be reading a classic fairy tale with a twist. The children will discover the 'true story' of the big bad wolf and the three little pigs as told by the big bad wolf himself. The children will learn how to retell the opening of the story from the third-person in an exciting and engaging way. The children will publish their work and share it with a younger class.

### **Maths**

This term the maths curriculum will cover number and place value, addition and subtraction. This is a really important unit as number and place value provides the foundations of the children's mathematical knowledge and will continue to be applied across the rest of the school year.

### **Science**

This term, we will be studying the topic 'Amazing Bodies.' The children will learn the importance of eating the right amounts of different types of food and that the food we eat provides us with the nutrition that our bodies require to remain healthy. They will learn about the range of nutrients that humans need to consume in the correct amounts and the role that these nutrients play in keeping our bodies healthy. They will also learn that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.

### **Geography**

Our topic this term is 'Climate and Weather.' The children will be introduced to different ways of communicating geographical data, particularly through different styles of maps. They will learn to read weather and climate maps, and learn how weather and climate are generalised into world climate zones. The concept of biomes will be explored, each with distinctive climate, soil, flora, fauna and human activity.

### **Reminders**

PE will be Tuesday (Gymnastics) and Friday (Tag Rugby) afternoons, please ensure that the children have their PE kits on these days. We would really like the children to read at home every day (either independently or to an adult). We will be monitoring reading diaries and rewarding the children with prizes. Please ensure that the children bring their reading books and reading diaries to school every day so that we can monitor their reading and the adults at school can also read with them.

If you have any questions at all do not hesitate to email me. My email is [odemalplaquet@firbeck.org.uk](mailto:odemalplaquet@firbeck.org.uk). You can also send me a message on Class Dojo.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Malplaquet

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