



Dear Parents and Carers

It has been yet another busy term, full of amazing learning. The children, as always, have worked their socks off!

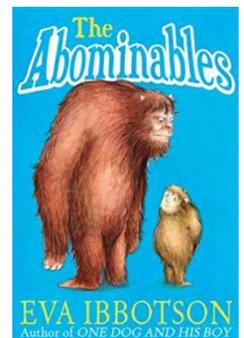
### **Trips and Visitors this year**

**Spring 2** - In this term, we will be having a storyteller come in for our fab finale.

**Summer 1/Summer 2** - As our Fab Finale for our Rainforest theme and our Wow starter for our Summer 2 theme, we will be going to the Living Rainforest and the Cotswold Wildlife Centre, staying overnight at the Court Hill Centre hostel, costing around £140.

### **Awesome Authors**

Our theme for the next term is Awesome Authors where our work will be based around our class book *The Abominables* by Eva Ibbotson. Agatha is a young girl camping in the Himalayan Mountains. Little does she know that she is about to be kidnapped by three enormous, hairy yetis! Agatha soon settles in with her yeti family and starts to teach them about human life. Wait and see to find out more! As our book is based in the Himalayas we will be exploring the Himalayan Mountains and comparing it to mountainous regions in the UK. Throughout our art lessons, we will be using our class book and our geography knowledge to paint beautiful mountainous landscapes using water colours. For our Fab Finale we would like to invite you in to see our artwork in our very own art gallery!



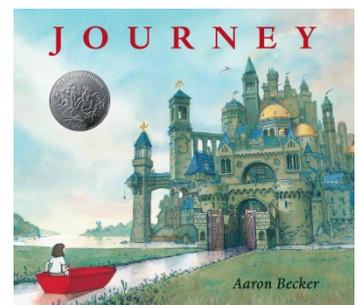
On Wow Day 1, we will begin to investigate what different mountains are like around the world. On Wow Day 2, we will be getting creative and making our very own papier-mache mountains.

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### **English**

In English, we will be focusing on adventure stories and Warning Tales focused around our class book *The Abominables* by Eva Ibbotson. We will develop our skills in writing information texts and we will also be using the amazing picture book, *Journey*, to help inspire our creative writing.



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Spellings will be linked to our work on Get Spelling and will come home on a Monday. Spellings will be stuck into reading record books so please ensure that they are in school especially on that day. Please support your child(ren) to learn spellings ready to be tested on Fridays.

### **Reading**

We will be developing our understanding of reading through reading skills sessions. Please listen to your child read at least three times a week and make a note of it in the reading record book. Don't forget that every time your child reads, they get a raffle ticket which goes into a monthly draw to win their very own brand new book. Please access Oxford Reading Buddy for even more online fun!

### **Maths**

During this term we will be continuing their work on multiplication and division then moving into developing their understanding of money, recording amounts using pounds and pence, adding and subtracting money as well as solving problems finding change. We will also find different ways of presenting information, using pictograms, bar charts and tables. Finally we will be working on measuring and comparing lengths before moving onto finding perimeters of shapes.

### **Times tables**

Please support your child with the learning of their times tables. Children in Year 3 need to learn and recall facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. They are tested every week and all children will know which times table they need to be learning. If you could keep practising with your child, we will all become times table superstars! Don't forget to use Times Table Rock Stars.



Thank you in advance for all your support. We hope you have a great half term and we look forward to seeing you in Spring 2.

Miss Clent and Miss Catling  
Year 3 Team