

# Year 3 - Term 3

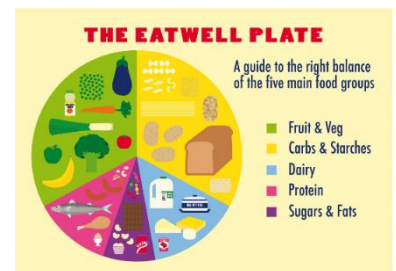
Dear Parents/Guardians,

Well we have reached the end of term 2 and all of the children have definitely earned their 2 week Christmas holiday. It has been a very busy term full of exciting learning opportunities and Christmas activities.

## Term 2 Reflection

Our Learning Journey this term was based around the question 'Could I be a Nutritionist?' and there have been plenty of exciting opportunities to aid the children's learning about food and nutrition.

To start the term, we had a food tasting afternoon with the children being very brave and blind tasting a range of food and predicting if they thought it was healthy or unhealthy. We then had a visit from Caterlink (school dinner providers) who aided our science knowledge by teaching us all about the eatwell plate and why a balanced diet is important and how they make sure our school dinners offer plenty of healthy options.



In geography, we moved onto thinking about where and how our food is produced and investigated fair trade products by visiting the local co-op store and finding products with the fair trade logo on. The children represented themselves and the school impeccably during our visit to the co-op with lots of local residents commenting on their good behaviour and manners, which they should be very proud of. We then moved onto more locally produced food with a visit from the National Fruit Show education team (sponsored by local fruit producers - Gotham's). During this

exciting workshop we found out all about the different varieties of apples, got to taste lots of new flavours and textures of apple and even made our own apple juice which was very yummy!



We finished the term off with our parents tea party with the children having the opportunity to make a range of healthy ( and a few unhealthy) snacks for you all and having the opportunity to show off all their fabulous work from this term. Thank you for supporting us with this, we hope you enjoyed the afternoon.

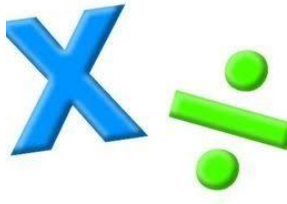
## Curriculum Overview for Term 3

### Reading

Reading fluency continues to grow across the year group as the children's confidence in reading grows. Their understanding of higher level vocabulary is growing everyday and will continue to grow as they read more books. The number of children reading at home has been very good for most of the term, so thank you for your support with this (there has been a small dip towards Christmas, which we are sure will reduce again once we are settled into the new year).



## Maths



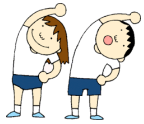
In Maths, during term 3, we will be continuing our multiplication and division unit with a particular focus on the 3,4 and 8 times tables, which we hope will be the extra push the children need to move up to the next monkey maths level. Please remember to be using timetable rockstars website at home to aid the children's timetable rapid recall. If you are unsure how to access this, please ask as we are more than happy to help.

## Learning Journey

Our Learning Journey in term 3 and 4 will be '**What was life like in Medway during WW2?**' We will begin with learning about evacuees and rationing (we will be holding an evacuee day early on in the term so start thinking about costumes over the holidays - details will follow asap). We will then move onto some science work around plants and how they grow linked to the ww2 dig for victory campaign. As we move into term 4, we will begin to focus on the blitz and link our science work about light to the blackout campaign and will learn all about the home guard, before finishing the journey by holding our own VE day celebration. Our writing will be linked to our learning journey throughout both terms with evacuee letters and persuasive writing about the government initiative such as rationing and 'make do and mend' in term 3. In term 4 we plan to interview veterans of WW2 using our journalistic skills and use our interviews to write newspaper reports



## PE



In term 3, PE will continue to be every other Wednesday afternoon for an extended lesson. From Term 3 we will also be doing a shorter additional lesson every Friday morning.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Mrs Watts, Miss Hills and Miss Paul.**