



### Class 3: Spring Term 2016

Dear Children and Parents of Class 3,  
Welcome back to school; we hope you had a fantastic Christmas holidays! We are very excited to be starting this New Year and wanted to outline the areas of the curriculum we will be studying over the course of the Spring Term. Our topic for this term is Rivers. We will be learning about the formation and features of a river. Including, following their journey to the sea and discovering the role of the water cycle. It won't stop there though! We will also be illustrating a glossary, creating a collage, making estuary nature reserve leaflets and learning about the 10 major world rivers. If you have any books or information about the Rivers, please send them in, I would love to see and use them.

The areas of focus for this term are as follows:

- **English** – Using the book *The Tunnel* by Anthony Browne to inspire us to write, book reviews, character descriptions, setting descriptions, recounts and fictional portal stories. We will also be using the wizarding world of *Harry Potter* created by J.K Rowling, to create non-chronological reports about life at Hogwarts.
- **Mathematics** – Place Value & Decimals, Mental & Written Methods for Addition & Subtraction, Collecting Measures and Data, Finding Fractions and converting them to Decimals, Time, Shapes and Written and Mental Methods for Multiplication and Division.
- **Science- Plants:** We will study the parts of flowering plants and their functions, the conditions affecting plant growth and plants as living things. Investigate how water is transported in plants. Describe plant life cycles, in particular how seeds are formed, dispersed and germinate.
- **PSHE-** Drugs Education & Environmental Education.



- **Modern foreign languages-** Days of the week, months of the year, birthdays and seasons
- **Geography-** Great Rivers of the World and Estuaries and Deltas. We will also be following the journey of a river, from its source to the sea, using maps.
- **History-** Settlements along Rivers, Industry and leisure. How rivers were used in the past and now.
- **RE-** What does it mean to be a member of a non-

Christian faith in Britain today?

- **Art & DT-** Creating a class collage of a river and designing and making a water wheel.
- **PE-** Gymnastic (focusing on partner work) and Dance (creating a whole Class dance for the Dance festival at the end of the term.
- **Music & Computing-** For this term, music and computing will be combined as take part in this year's Herefordshire Film Project, creating a digital response to the BBC's music project Ten Pieces 2.

