

## Year 3 Term 5 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our new school term!

### **Information for our new term:**

#### **- P.E days are as follows;**

3HD Wednesday (outdoor)

3W Monday and Wednesday (indoor and outdoor)

please make sure children have appropriate clothing

#### **Forest School:**

3HD have forest school on Monday, so please ensure they have their forest school kit in school.

#### **Key dates:**

23<sup>rd</sup> May Dinosaur Live Trip

27<sup>th</sup> May Jubilee Celebration

#### **As Coningsby Scientists we will:**

Be exploring about different rocks! We will look at observing rocks looking at their texture, sizes and begin to look at comparing them. We will also then move onto identifying and classifying different rocks by conducting fair tests to decide if they are sedimentary, igneous or metamorphic rocks. We will be conducting a rock survey in our local area by walking around the school/village. Then move onto how fossils are formed and recognise that soils are made from rock, organic matter, water and air.



#### **As Coningsby Historians we will:**

Be researching the life of Mary Anning and the way she influenced the profession of fossil hunting. We will then look at what dinosaurs she was able to discover and see if we can use her information to find out more about any of these.

#### **As Coningsby Authors we will:**

Be exploring our new text Starbird, we will look at how we can create similes and put this into a list poem, then we will be exploring, planning and writing a captive narrative about our own animal. We will be looking at using noun phrases, adverbs, similes, make sure we are using year 3 expectations within our work to create our narrative. We will also have a focus on Year3/4 spellings and look at different techniques to practice.

#### **As Coningsby Artists & Designers we will:**

Be developing our sketching, shading and toning skills by exploring different techniques to create effects.

#### **As Coningsby Mathematicians we will:**

Be looking at the topic of fractions, this will include showing equivalent fractions, comparing and ordering fractions and then adding and subtracting fractions

#### **As Coningsby believers we will:**

Learn about Holy Week and the Easter story, focussing on the key beliefs for Christians. We will explore how different people felt throughout the week, with specific attention to how Mary might have felt.