

# Dereham Church Of England Junior Academy

## Year 3 Newsletter

### Reading

The percentage of children reading at home has improved massively over last year. One week we had over 80% of the children reading three times a week. Please please keep it going we are so proud of the children and thankful for the efforts of their grownups too.

### R.E.

Next week is our first R.E. week. We focus on R.E. for some time each day but we still have most of our usual lessons including maths and P.E. Our 'big question' in R.E. is 'What is the Holy Trinity.'

### Topic

We have finished our Stone Age topic and the children seemed to have really enjoyed it. They've really blown our socks off with the information that they've retained. We are now moving onto our 'in the spotlight' topic. In this topic we will be looking at light and dark and how we can manipulate light in many different ways. We will also be looking at shadow puppets and will put on a Christmas nativity puppet show which you will be able to see online!

### Key Info

Children will remain on the field at playtime as we do not have enough hard surface playground to keep the Year group bubbles separate. If you would like your children to have wellies that they can change into feel free to send them in.

- Curie and Keller Shadow puppet nativity- Tues 13<sup>th</sup> December 9:30-10:30
- Mandela and Gandhi Shadow puppet nativity Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 9:30-10:30

### Maths

In this last week we have returned to our work on column addition. It has been great to see the children pick up how to do this using diagrams. We are now moving to just use numbers. Children knowing their number bonds to 10 is really important to this so feel practise it at home.

