



# Year 3 News

## 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026



### What we've been learning recently

**English** – Over the past two weeks we have been looking at texts from a familiar setting, focusing on the story of The Sand Horse, which is set in St. Ives. We started by familiarising ourselves with the story by recounting it and acting it out. Next, we looked at writing our own setting descriptions and character descriptions.

**Maths** – We have been working on fractions, applying our knowledge from when we previously studied fractions to more abstract questions.

**Wider Curriculum** – In wider curriculum, we have been studying plants and conducting experiments. We have looked at what plants need to survive and created an experiment to find out how light affects plant growth. We then looked at parts of the plant and studied small flowering plants with a microscope. For our next experiment we looked at how water is transported around the plant and placed white flowers into three cups filled with different coloured water. We were amazed to see the flower petals change colour to that of the water!

### Over the next fortnight we will be...

- In English, we will be writing our own version of The Sand Horse story and looking at poetry.
- In Maths, we will be starting our topic on Shape and Geometry.
- In Wider Curriculum, we will be starting our Art topic where we will be designing and creating clay coil birds.
- In Computing, we will be continuing our programming unit around the Scratch.

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### Important Notices

**PE Kit** – Our PE day is Wednesday. Please ensure your child wears their full PE kit on this day with a hat and a drinks bottle.

**Books** – All children have moved up book banded books this week! If you have any book banded books at home, please can they be returned to school.

**Warmer weather** – As the weather gets warmer, please can you make sure your child comes to school with a drinks bottle, hat and suncream if needed.

### Shining Stars

Congratulations to our Shining Stars from the last two weeks for teacher choice and being empathic.

**3B** – Bodhi, Harley (Week 1) Noah, Daisy (Week 2)

**3W** – Ashton, Eve (Week 1) Monty, Josh (Week 2)