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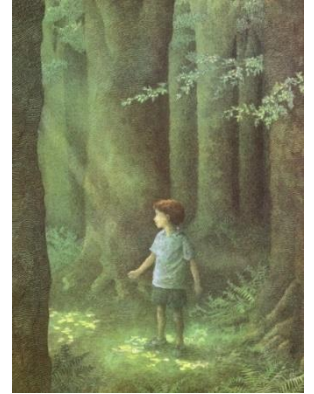
Year 3 Topic Letter –Summer Term 2026

April 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a happy and restful Easter break.

Our new topic this term is called **Fantastical Forests!** We will be exploring the great outdoors and learning lots about forests, plants, animals and nature, as well as using our imaginations to think about forests as a fantasy setting.



Our writing units this term will be stories set in imaginary forests, looking at beautifully written and illustrated books including: Anthony Browne's 'Into the Forest', Roald Dahl's 'The Minpins' and Helen Ward's 'The Tin Forest'. The children will do some creative writing set in their own imaginative, magical forests. We will also be looking at writing our own descriptive poems based on the forest and our emotions. Our non-fiction work will be persuasive writing about conservation, survival guides, letters, recipes and instructions.

As this is a Science based topic, we will be studying plants in depth, looking at: parts of a plant, seed dispersal, pollination and processes such as photosynthesis. We will even get the chance to grow our own plants! Our Geography unit for the first half of term is all about forests. We will learn about biomes, climate and climate change. In the second half of term, we will be doing a study of our local area where we will learn about it's history and do some observational data collections in order to think about improvements. We will also look at how our local area has changed and developed over time and study some notable local residents and places!

Curriculum overview for the term ahead:

Maths: Fractions/ Money/ Time/ Shape/ Statistics

English: Literary Study of Texts to Inspire Writing (*Into the Forest/ The Minpins/ The Tin Forest*)

Science: Plants and science revision

Computing: Programming

Topic: Fantastical Forests/ Local Area Study

RE: Jesus and Buddha (Signs and symbols)

PE: Baseball / Cross-country

French: Weather/ Dates/ Family

PSHE: Friends and family / Choices and Responsibilities/ Stereotypes

Music: Recorder/ Singing

Art: Observational Drawing/ Collage/ Art in Nature/ Local Artist Study



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Home learning:

Reading journals will be handed in every **Tuesday**. These will be posted in their trays for them to take home.

Mathletics set every **Monday**. Please also access TTRS to practice times tables.

Spellings will be on Parent Hub and will need to be learnt and memorised for a short spelling carousel on the dates specified on the spelling sheet.

P.E will take place every **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** mornings. Please send your child to school in their P.E. kit on these days. We will be mainly doing P.E lessons outdoors this term so it is very important that the children have appropriate clothing and footwear for cross-country running and baseball.

TRIPS

5th May	Kew Gardens
12th May	Keats Library
15th May	Science Day
1st June	October Gallery
12th June	Class Assembly
23rd June	Zoo Trip

Volunteers to accompany us on the trips are always greatly appreciated – please sign up to help in the office. If you are able, please make sure your child brings in their voluntary contribution of **£2** for each trip and support our school teas by bringing in food and drink. It has been amazing to see what a great community we have at Fleet and I hope to see more of it this term! Thank you to the parents who have helped with this so far.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or queries throughout the year.

Yours sincerely,

Amber Muir