## Class 3 Round Up - Spring 2

As Spring is springing, we were blessed to have five international Capernwray students join us in school, to prepare our beautiful school grounds for the better weather to come (hopefully!) It is amazing to be able to see our pond again and decide what we can plant in our spruced up raised beds. We are certainly hoping to get outside more next term and feel the sun on our faces...it feels like a while since that happened!



On the subject of the school grounds, this half term, we have enjoyed discovering all about Rocks and Soil in our Science. The children have engaged well in all sorts of mini - investigations and experiments including making compost, testing the permeability of different rocks, 'making rocks' from Starburst sweets and sketching fossils. Ask them to tell you all about what they found out! Class 3 seem to really enjoy their Science, and four

members of the class had a wonderful day with children from other local primary schools, working with robotics and K-Bots at St Leonard's Primary School in Walton-le Dale.

We have tackled the tricky topic of Fractions in our Maths, with both Year 3 and 4 progressing through some pretty tricky problems. We have learned about unit fractions, improper fractions, mixed numbers and have been able to add and subtract fractions with increasing confidence. As always, times tables are crucial to success, so please keep up the practice...it really does make a difference.

Miss Wilson has been helping the children to create sequences of movements during their PE topic of Gymnastics. Some children have also enjoyed extra- curricular sports clubs this half term, including tennis and football.

Thank you to all the parents who attended Parents' Evenings. It was great to share your child's progress and show you the work they are producing in class, as well as talking through next steps to ensure they keep shining brightly in school. I hope you found it helpful too.

We all really enjoyed our Open Doors Lent Appeal last Friday. The children have been learning all about persecuted Christians around the world and have showed real empathy with some of the stories we have shared in our Courageous Advocate Worships. Thank you to all of you who donated money and cakes to make our fundraiser such a success.





Our annual Easter Carousel is always a favourite in the calendar, and this year the children produced some beautiful craft and poetry to share the message of the hope and joy Easter brings. This was extended further with our whole school Easter Praise. We hope those of you who were able to attend enjoyed the event; children singing and performing is always such a joy, and it is wonderful to be able to share just a small slice of what we get up to in school with you! The children have all been learning about Lent as a time of preparation for Easter in RE lessons, so this was a fitting culmination to their learning.

We cannot finish for Easter without mentioning our 'Decorate an Egg Competition' held today. This is always a difficult event to judge as the standard is so high...in fact it gets harder each year, but well done to our class winners, and to everyone who took part and enjoyed themselves. It was a cracking event....!!!

We hope that you have a wonderful Easter break, full of hope, new beginnings and peace. We look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April for an exciting, busy Summer term.

Love from Mrs Bolton, Miss Wilson and Mrs Morris ©