



20th November 2020

Dear Year 3,

We hope you are all well and coping with lockdown, part 2. We are so proud of the children and how well they are doing. We have recently increased the number of spelling lessons they are taught to support them further when writing and they continue to show us how adaptable they are.

We have also really appreciated being at school together in this lockdown. The children are also really enjoying our new topic, *Predators!*

The children have learnt about fossils and we have made our own fossil moulds using dinosaur sweets and bread! We got layers of white bread, added sweets and then added extra layers of brown bread on top. After leaving the bread squashed under a huge box for four days, we were able to reveal the outcome of our experiment.



The children have also spent some time learning how to draw animals, exploring the proportions and shapes of the animals, and following detailed instructions to help them. After printing some predator pictures, we will move on and will make our very own peregrine falcon nest!

The children have also been exploring 'warning stories' in English. These are stories where a character is warned not to do something, but the temptation is too great and they do it anyway. 'Little Red Riding Hood' is a good example! We have read 'The Minpins' and 'Mouse Bird Snake Wolf'. We have been so impressed by how well they have understood some of the language features in the book and the message of this book. Next week the children will write their own 'warning stories' about a predator of their choice.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or want to just drop us an email, please do get in touch, we really miss being able to catch up with you all at the end of the day!

Yours sincerely,

The Year 3 Team