



# Squirrel Classroom

## News



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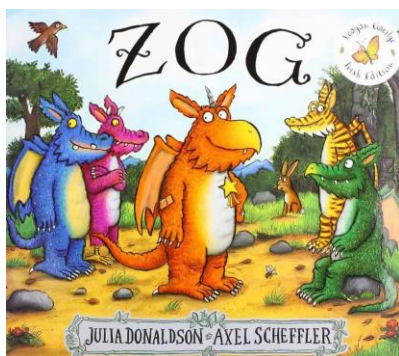
Welcome to Term 3 in Squirrel Class.

I hope that you have had a lovely Christmas break and are ready for all of the amazing activities that we have planned for this term.

**This Term's value is:**



The 'A castle for a King' topic is reflected in our English lessons. We will be delving into books which have themes centred around dragons and castles. These books will fuel the children's imagination to write beautiful, detailed descriptions about dragons and mythical creatures. Later in the term, the children will learn how to write non-chronological reports.



In Maths we will be extending our knowledge of place value of two or three digit numbers before working on different ways to multiply and divide.

**Homework** We always look forward to sharing homework in Squirrel class. Homework will be handed out each week on Wednesday and is due in on Monday. Please can all homework be completed in pencil.

As part of the children's homework, we ask that you read at least 3 times a week with your child. This will really help them to build their reading fluency skills.

Thank you!



Our topic this term is "A castle fit for a King".



**The Big Question - Why did William the Conqueror choose Lincoln to build a castle?**

**Key Vocabulary:** castle, battle, dungeon, battlements, bailey, fortification, portcullis, monarch, Magna Carta and Nicola de la Haye.

In History we will be learning about the different parts of a castle, William the Conqueror and learning about the history of Lincoln castle. In Science, they will be exploring everyday materials and take part in a wide range of investigations. The children will work scientifically to see which materials are best for certain purposes. We will be continuing our castle theme in Design and Technology. The children will learn how to make sliders and levers to make a moving parts castle. Through our Music lessons, the children will learn how to invent their very own musical story. The children will explore how certain sounds can capture the emotions that we are feeling. This term, in our PE lessons, we will be focusing on movement and dance. The children will be developing their fluency of movement with their friends in small groups. In RE, we will be exploring Islam. Through this topic children will learn about the Muslim world view as well as the key beliefs in the Muslim faith.