



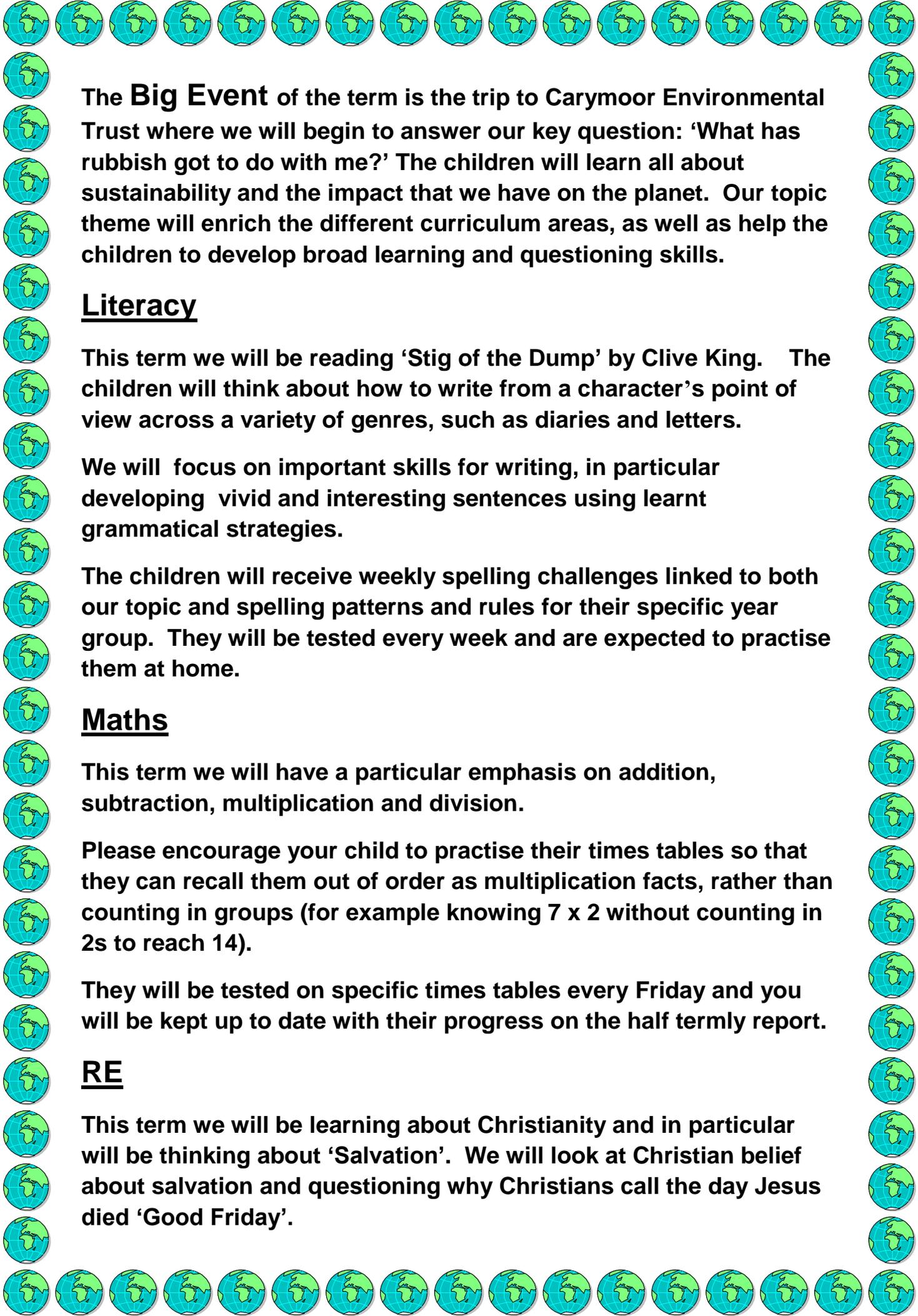
# **What a Load of Rubbish!**

**Class 3**

**Curriculum Newsletter**

**Spring 2017**





The **Big Event** of the term is the trip to Carymoor Environmental Trust where we will begin to answer our key question: 'What has rubbish got to do with me?' The children will learn all about sustainability and the impact that we have on the planet. Our topic theme will enrich the different curriculum areas, as well as help the children to develop broad learning and questioning skills.

## Literacy

This term we will be reading 'Stig of the Dump' by Clive King. The children will think about how to write from a character's point of view across a variety of genres, such as diaries and letters.

We will focus on important skills for writing, in particular developing vivid and interesting sentences using learnt grammatical strategies.

The children will receive weekly spelling challenges linked to both our topic and spelling patterns and rules for their specific year group. They will be tested every week and are expected to practise them at home.

## Maths

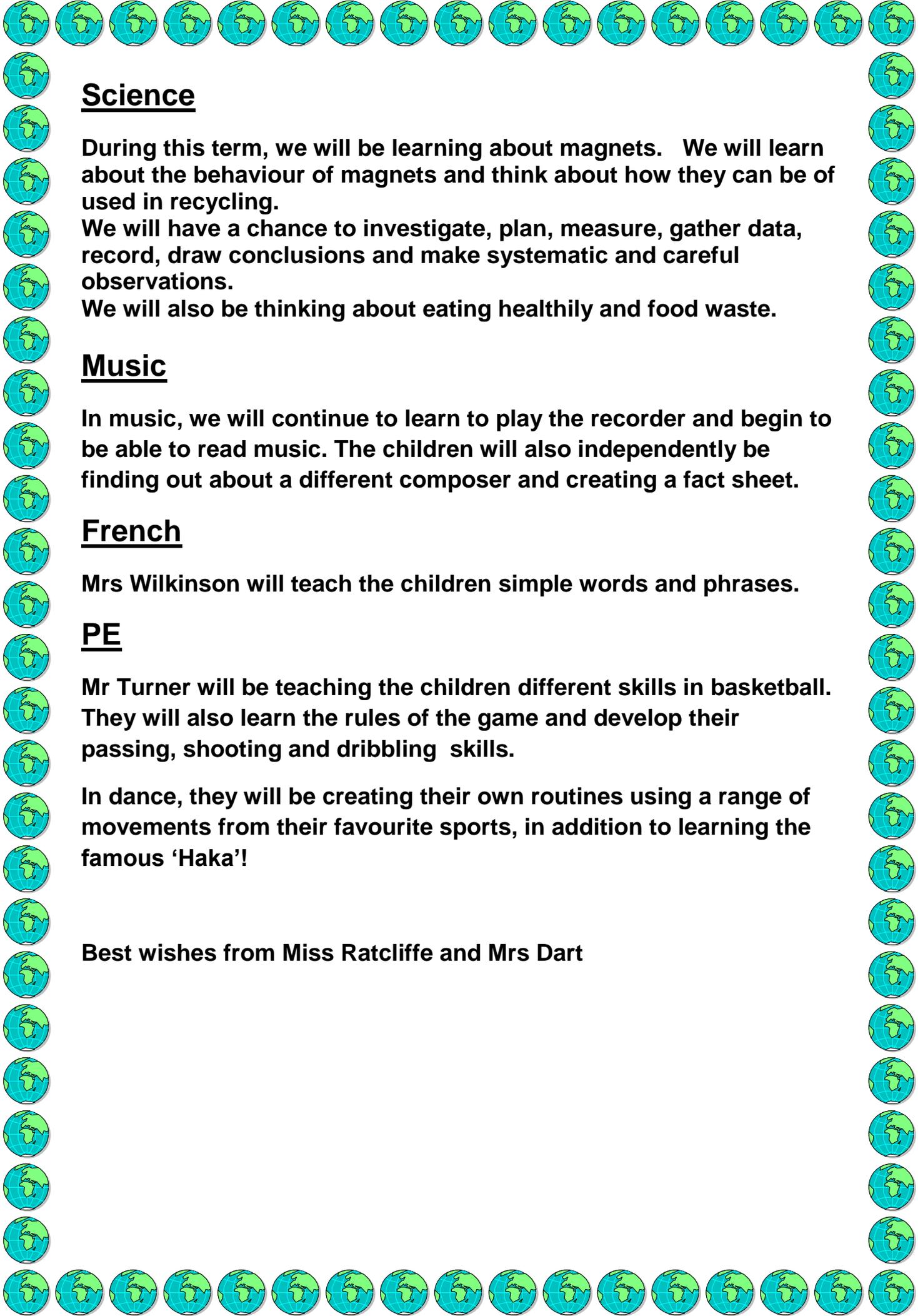
This term we will have a particular emphasis on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Please encourage your child to practise their times tables so that they can recall them out of order as multiplication facts, rather than counting in groups (for example knowing  $7 \times 2$  without counting in 2s to reach 14).

They will be tested on specific times tables every Friday and you will be kept up to date with their progress on the half termly report.

## RE

This term we will be learning about Christianity and in particular will be thinking about 'Salvation'. We will look at Christian belief about salvation and questioning why Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'.



## **Science**

During this term, we will be learning about magnets. We will learn about the behaviour of magnets and think about how they can be of used in recycling.

We will have a chance to investigate, plan, measure, gather data, record, draw conclusions and make systematic and careful observations.

We will also be thinking about eating healthily and food waste.

## **Music**

In music, we will continue to learn to play the recorder and begin to be able to read music. The children will also independently be finding out about a different composer and creating a fact sheet.

## **French**

Mrs Wilkinson will teach the children simple words and phrases.

## **PE**

Mr Turner will be teaching the children different skills in basketball. They will also learn the rules of the game and develop their passing, shooting and dribbling skills.

In dance, they will be creating their own routines using a range of movements from their favourite sports, in addition to learning the famous 'Haka'!

Best wishes from Miss Ratcliffe and Mrs Dart