

Year 3 English Work

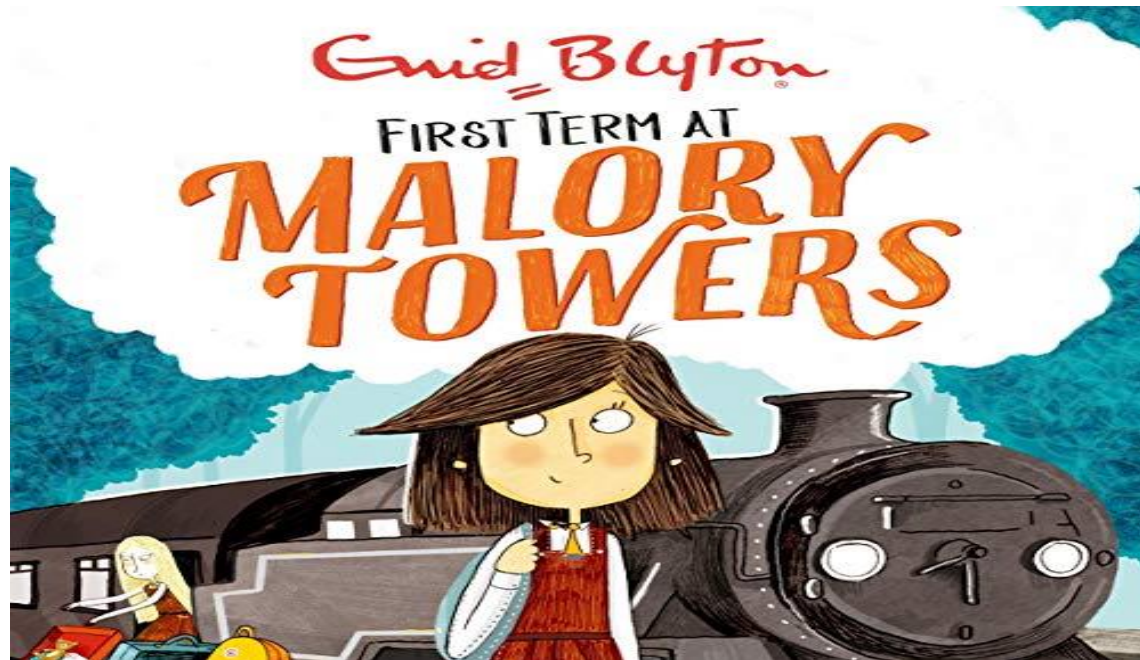
Mon 13th – 17th July 2020



This week we are going to do some work based on a book written by Enid Blyton. (By the way she was my favourite author as a child). The book is called *First Term At Malory Towers*. You don't have to read the whole book to do your tasks, however if you find a copy during the holidays you can have a go. It might inspire you to read more books in that series. I love reading, it takes you to places you've never been !

You will be answering some comprehension questions and writing a letter.

The text on the next slide has been taken from the book shown below. Read it and answer the questions on writing paper. Do upload your answers on purple mash. Remember to contact your teacher in case you need help.



Glossary

admiring – look at something/someone with pleasure

tunic- a loose garment, normally sleeveless and reaching to knees.

underneath- situated directly below

press- a device consisting of a frame closed by a spring mechanism, for keeping the strings of a tennis racket tight.

First Term at Malory Towers

Darrell Rivers looked at herself in the mirror. It was almost time to start for the train, but there was just a minute to see how she looked in her new school uniform.

'It's very nice,' said Darrell, turning herself about. 'Brown coat, brown hat, orange ribbon and brown tunic underneath with an orange belt. I like it.'

Her mother looked into Darrell's room and smiled.

'Admiring yourself?' she said. 'Well, I like it all too. I must say Malory Towers has a lovely school uniform. Come along Darrell. We don't want to miss the train on your very first term.'

Darrell felt excited. She was going to boarding school for the first time. Malory Towers did not take children younger than twelve, so Darrell would be one of the youngest there. She looked forward to many terms of fun and friendship, work and play. What will it be like? She kept wondering. I've read lots of school stories, but I expect it won't be quite the same at Malory Towers. Every school is different. I do hope I make friends there.

Darrell was sad at leaving her own friends behind her. None of them were going to Malory Towers. She had been to a day-school with them and most of them were either staying on there or going to different boarding schools.

Her trunk was packed full. On the side was painted in big black letters DARRELL RIVERS. On the labels were the letters M.T for Malory Towers. Darrell had only to carry her tennis racket in its press and her small bag in which her mother had packed her things for the first night.



Task 1a and 1b

Remember to write your answers in full sentences.

1a

- ➔ Who is the main character?
- ➔ Look at the last paragraph. What is the meaning of the word trunk?
- ➔ What kind of book is the text from? Fiction or Non fiction?
- ➔ How old is Darrell?
- ➔ After reading the text, can you think of a different title?
- ➔ Why was Darrell feeling excited?

1b

Imagine you're Darrell and going to a boarding school for the first time.

Think about how you may be feeling. Why would you be excited or why would you be worried?

Start your paragraph with:-
If I was going to a boarding school
I would -----

Task 2

The text on slide 3 tells us that Darrell Rivers was imagining what her new school would be like. I'm sure you are also wondering how your year four class is going to be. Who will be your new teacher? Which of your friends will be moving to another school? Is the learning in year four going to be challenging ?

Your task is to write a letter with the things you think are important for your new teacher to know. The example on the next slide is a letter from my nephew to his unknown teacher. It will help you as you write your own letter. Have fun!



9th July 2020

Dear Teacher,

My name is Matthew, I am 8 years old and I will be in your class next year. My favourite colour is blue, and my best dish is spaghetti bolognese. The people who I look up to are my parents because they always make me happy when I am sad. I like to work hard and try to do my best in everything I do. I am always focused on my work during lessons so that I can achieve my goals. I live in a house and we have a big garden where we play with my friends when they come to visit me. Friends are a big part of my life because am the only child at home. My older brother finished his education, he lives and works outside London.



My favourite subject in year three was history when we made Roman mosaics like the ones we saw at the Roman Villa we visited. I am excited to see what we will do in year four and hope that we will go on lots of fun school trips.



I am good at spelling but I need to improve my writing. I also need to become quicker at math, and I am looking forward to learning about fractions. I like bible stories and my favourite story is David and Goliath. I look forward to see you when doors finally open in September.

Yours sincerely,

Matthew