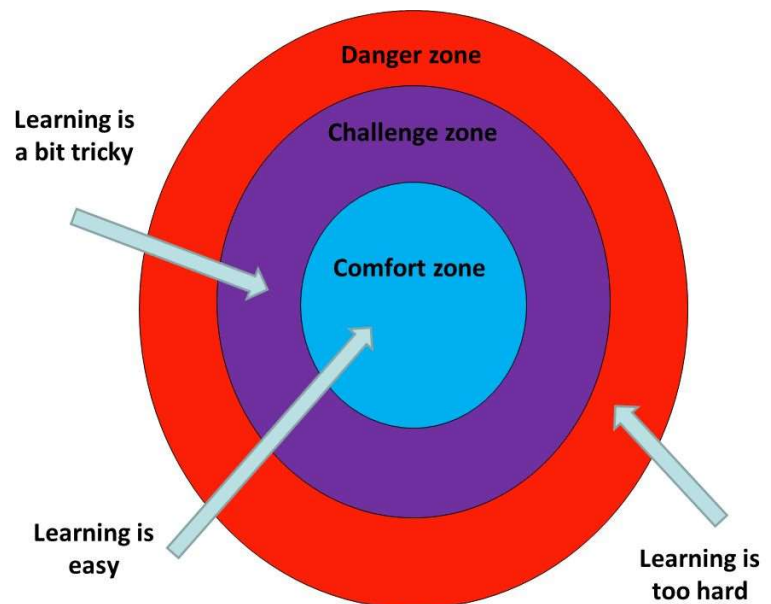




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This week we introduced the children to the **Purple learner** which aims to support the children to think about themselves as learners and develop an understanding that learning should be a bit tricky to push us out of the comfort zone and into the challenge zone – being a purple learner!

The transition to juniors, becoming year 3 has meant an up in pace and expectations for the children. Using the language surrounding the purple learner will support the children to build their resilience and develop a stronger growth mind set as learners.



In **Maths** this week we have learnt to use the column method to solve addition question where we add 3digit numbers to 3digit numbers and carry numbers across. Now the children have learnt column for both addition and subtraction we will begin to introduce them to problem solving using these skills. We have also started to learn about estimation and rounding numbers to the nearest 100 and then the nearest 10 when estimating addition and subtraction calculations.

In **English** we have been learning to use how adverbs to describe verbs as well as identifying and using prepositions to explain where something is in relation to something else. We have written setting descriptions of the farm to help us to apply these new word types. Next week we will be writing a new chapter for George's Marvellous Medicine called 'Marvellous Medicine Number 5'. This week we have chosen our character who George will give the new medicine to and written a description of them before they have the medicine.

We have started out **DT** project which will focus on packaging design and use. This week we focused on the function of packaging for food and the appeal to buyers. In **Art** we are focusing on drawing and the artist Quentin Blake. The children enjoyed finding out some facts about Quentin Blake and have made some lovely scrapbook style artist study pages. In **RE** we are finding out about our focus question – *Why are festivals important to religious communities?* This week we have started to learn about Diwali and the meaning of the Rama and Sita story.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Grainger