



Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter



Term 3

Maths

In maths, we will be learning strategies for mentally adding and subtracting 3 digit numbers, being able to add and subtract numbers under 20 quickly will be a useful skill to help us with this unit!

We will be learning about right angles and spotting where we can see them in everyday life .

Finally, we will learn about the relationship between addition and subtraction. We will use a variety of hands-on equipment to help us with this!

RE

This term, we are again focusing on Christianity. Asking the questions; Could Jesus heal people? Did he perform miracles or is there some other explanation? Exploring the theme of incarnation and Jesus being the son of God.

English

In our English lessons, we will be exploring the narrative unit 'Marshmallows'. The children will be developing their use of prepositional phrases, verbs and adverbs to add more depth to their writing. Our second unit, 'Recount' will explore the present perfect tense and how to use the past tense correctly. They will produce two different writing recounts, one as a diary entry and the other as a police report.

Music

This term, we will be learning about Latin dance. Pupils will explore salsa rhythms by learning to dance salsa, play a clave rhythm, sing the song, and play a percussion part. They will also compose rhythm patterns to incorporate into their whole-class performance.

Spanish

This term, through actions and songs, we will be learning musical instruments in Spanish. We will explore the use of 'tocar', the verb to play, in Spanish.

D&T

We will be building kite frames and exploring ways to strengthen them. We will explore which materials work best for a kite sail and explore the value of keels and tails when flying our creations.

Science

This term in science, we are learning about the human body, with a focus on nutrition, muscles, and bones. We will learn about the nutrients our body needs to be healthy and how to plan a balanced diet. Then we will explore the skeletal system and learn the names of the main bones in our bodies. We will also explore the muscular system and identify how our bones and muscles work together to get our body moving.

Home Learning

Children are expected to read at least 4 times a week at home. Children have a book which is matched to their reading level. They complete a short quiz at school once they have finished their book letting us see their progress. There will also be a continuation of maths and spelling home learning. This will be given out on Friday to be returned by the following Thursday.



PE

Our sports coaches will be teaching the unit 'Duel, Win, Lose' which introduces the concepts of competition. Pupils will learn how to cope with success and failure whilst participating in a range of activities.

We will also be completing the unit of 'Inspire, Create, Perform' which will develop the pupils' understanding of exploring, creating and performing movement and actions.

Computing

This term, our computing topic will be 'Sequencing Sounds'. This unit explores the concept of sequencing in programming through Scratch. It begins with an introduction to the program. We will be introduced to motion, sound, and event blocks which we will use to create our own programs.

Geography

We are learning about the rainforest! We will be exploring the flora and fauna which live there. We will learn about the different layers and how the geography differs from our own. We will learn to create observational drawings of the different layers of and explore how creatures have adapted.

PSHE

We will be exploring feelings and emotions, including the feeling of grief. We appreciate this can be a tricky topic for some. For further advice and support, please visit <https://winstonswish.org/>. We will also be taking part in Children's Mental Health Week and Safer Internet Day this term.