



Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn 1

Writing



In our writing lessons in Class 3, we will base much of our writing on the book *The Night Gardener*, focussing on our basic skills, including correct use of capital letters, full stops and making sure our sentences are worded accurately. Pupils will then begin to explore a range of conjunctions to extend sentences, and different ways to add description to sentences including varieties of adjectives, and prepositional phrases.

Maths



This term, there will be a focus on Place Value of numbers up to 999 and 1000. We will then begin adding and subtracting, including using column methods for these for the first time.

They will learn to count on in 50's.

Please support your child to quickly recall multiplication facts for the 2's, 5's and 10's.

Reading



Children continue to take part in reading groups in morning. Please support your child by listening to them read at home at least 3 times per week, but ideally 5 times – and record this in their reading record booklet.

In whole-class reading, we will read *Charlotte's Web*, and various non-fiction, books linked to our afternoon lesson themes.

Science



Animals, including Humans:

- Skeletons and bones – human and other animals
- Movement in humans and animals, including learning about muscles and joints.
- Nutrition and diet, including learning about nutrition in food and about balanced and unhealthy diets.

Religious Education



Religious Festivals – Christianity, Islam and Humanism.

What is the value of participating in a religious festival or ritual?

- Compare the experience of participating in a religious festival or celebration around the world
- reflect and share how religious celebrations and rituals have an impact on the community

What is the significance of religious festivals and rituals?

- identify the stories celebrated at festivals
- explain the meaning behind the celebration of festivals and rituals of different faiths

History



As historians we will study the Stone Age, Iron age and Bronze Age. We will place these on timelines and we will discuss the technological developments of humans during these periods.

Art



Class 3 will study drawing, focussing on techniques like shading and cross-hatching for texture, shape and shade to help draw realistic eyes.

We will look at work by artists like Jose Vergara.

Physical Education (PE)



Outdoor & Adventurous:

Various activity-based lessons, developing teamwork and communication skills, and confidence building. Lessons take place both indoor and outdoor.

Kit required: **trainers, black/blue/grey shorts/joggers, white t-shirt, jumper.**

Music



We will study ballads in music.

Children will listen to several ballads in popular music and learn and perform some. The unit will progress on to composing their own ballad based on an animation.

Personal, Social, Health and Economics (PSHE)



Being in My World:
Rewards and consequences

Setting personal goals
Responsible choices

Self-identity and worth
Seeing things from others' perspectives

Positivity in challenges
Rules, rights and responsibilities

