



Year 3 Curriculum News

September 2016

English

In English we will be covering the following topics:

- Traditional Tales
- Fables
- Non-Chronological Reports
- Classic Poetry for Performance

The teaching of spelling and grammar will be integrated throughout each topic. Guided Reading sessions take place daily and will cover a range of different text types.

Maths

In Maths, all year 3 groups will cover units on:

- Number sense and place value
- Additive reasoning, including measurement and statistics
- Multiplicative reasoning
- Geometric reasoning

In each topic, there will be a focus on mathematical reasoning, problem solving and applying methods in a variety of different contexts.

Science

Our topics in Science this term will be 'rocks' and 'food and our bodies'. In the rocks topic, the children will investigate the properties and uses of rocks, rock families, soils and finally fossils. In the second topic, the children will learn about healthy eating and why food is important, as well as skeletons and muscles.

Topic

In IPC this term our topic will be 'Different Places, Similar Lives.' Through this topic the children will explore things that make us different and things that make us the same, by learning about the lives of other people around the world.

During the topic, we'll be finding out about ways of life in different countries and why people around the world have different lives. We will learn about the difference between rich and poor countries, as well as what is being done to help the least developed countries. In Geography, we'll be finding out what different countries are like and how the climate affects the way people live. In History, we'll be learning about significant people in the countries we are studying and how they have changed lives for the better.

PE Kit

Year 3 will have their weekly PE lesson every Friday morning. During Autumn term they will be learning how to play badminton and basketball.

Your child must bring a change of clothes for PE, please do not come to school dressed in PE kit at the start of the day. PE kit should contain a t-shirt, leggings/tracksuit bottoms/shorts and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. As the weather changes PE lessons will be outside as much as possible so please also include a sweatshirt.

Religious Education

In R.E. this term, we will be learning about Hindu beliefs and practises, followed by a topic on Christianity, which builds on pupils' knowledge from Key Stage 1.

Homework

Maths and English homework will be sent home every Friday and should be returned to the appropriate teacher by Wednesday. Spellings will also be sent home on Fridays, which the children should practice in preparation for their test on the following Friday. Spelling sheets do not need to be returned. Please also ensure that your child is reading daily.

Music

In Music this term, year 3 will be focusing on singing and accompaniment, whilst learning about descriptive sounds and singing.