



Yr 3 Curriculum News

Autumn 2023

English

In English we will be covering the following topics:

- Narrative - innovating the fairytale 'Jack and the Beanstalk'; rewriting 'The Lion and the Mouse' from Aesop's Fables and writing their own fable.
- Non Fiction - Writing a recount about the journey of a river. Writing a non-chronological report on Ancient Egypt.
- Poetry - Ancient Egyptian Kenning and List poems.

Teaching of spelling and grammar will be integrated throughout each topic. Whole class reading takes place daily and will cover a range of texts, including books by Anthony Browne and Julia Donaldson.

PE

In PE we will be covering the following units of work:

- Football and Tag Rugby, Agility and Speed
- Netball and basketball
- Ball Manipulation

Your child should come to school in a PE kit on Fridays. The P.E. kit should consist of a blue or white t-shirt, black 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.

Spanish

In our Spanish lessons this term, we will be learning how to greet someone in Spanish. We will also be learning about each other through the topic of 'What is your name?'

Religious Education

In RE this term, we will be exploring Hinduism. The children will be exploring the story of Rama and Sita and its significance to Hindu peoples.

Music

In Music, we will be focusing the unit 'Let your spirit fly' and we will be developing notational skills leading into our Christmas Performance Practise.

Maths

In Maths we will be covering the following topics:

- Number and Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

In each topic, there will be a focus on mathematical reasoning, problem solving and applying methods in a variety of different contexts. Pupils will practice their mental arithmetic skills in a weekly test.

Other Subjects

Our History topics this term are 'Ancient Egypt' and 'Cradles of Civilisation'. Children will explore the culture of these ancient civilisations and will compare similarities and differences between them.

Our Geography topics this term are 'Rivers' and 'Mountains'. Children will explore the relationship between these physical processes and people.

Our Science topics this term are 'Plants' and 'Rocks'.

Our Art/ D.T. topics this term are Art and Design skills (drawing and painting) and Prehistoric Art (painting and sketching).

Homework

Your child is expected to read every day:

- Your child has a MYON account which enables them to read books online at school and at home. The children have been taught how to use the app and their password has been sent home. They can take A.R. quizzes at home too.
- Your child will bring a library book home every week. They need to return the book by the following week if they would like to change it.

Spellings are handed out on Fridays:

- Children should use Spelling Frame for daily practice of the spelling list and rules. The password has been sent home. There will be a spelling test the following Friday.

Maths:

- Please support your children to learn their times tables, beginning with their 2s, 5s and 10s. We will be focusing on the 3, 4 and 8 times tables in class. Times Table Rockstars will be introduced next week and your child will bring home a password.
- Athletics homework is set every Friday and should be completed by the following Friday.