

Curriculum Newsletter for Year 3 – Spring

English

- The children will be going on an adventure when studying 'Oliver and the Seawigs' by Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre. This adventure text will inspire the children to write instructions on 'How to make your own Seawig', a poem about the sea, a diary entry and be able to create their own twist as they rewrite the story.
- In Spring 2 we will read 'Charlotte's Web'. We will be inspired to write non-chronological reports based on spiders, concrete poems and descriptive narratives.
- Children need to read daily and bring their reading books and records into school each day.

Maths

- Pupils will learn how to find 10 and 100 more of a number, and order and compare numbers up to 1000.
- A main focus will be on how to dissect a word problem and use one of the four operations to solve it.
- Pupils will develop their addition and subtraction techniques using written and mental methods.
- Measurement is another focus where pupils will convert, measure and compare different lengths, weights and capacities.
- Pupils will interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables.
- TT Rockstars will be undertaken every lessons and scores recorded at the end of the week. TT Rockstars will also be available for pupils to use at home.

Science

- Our Science focus for this term is 'Geology, Mixtures and Solutions'. The Earth and everything on it in a strictly scientific sense is made up of an enormous range of solids, liquids and gases. We will plan and record our findings linked to our topic.

History

- In our history topic 'The War of the Roses', we will be looking at what it meant for Britain and the Kings and Queens involved, in one of the history's fiercest feuds. We will learn about the Reformation and how this changed the structure of religion and politics in the UK.

Art & Design

- Our focus for this term is 'Architecture'. We will identify symmetry in architecture. We will look at famous buildings from world history and then focusing on modern architecture.

Design & Technology

- We will look at mechanisms, levers and pulleys.
- We will create cards that include a lever and pop out mechanism.

Modern

- We will be learning French vocabulary and commands that will be useful in the classroom through interactive games and discussion. Our focus will be 'On fait la fête' (Celebrations).

Languages

Physical Education

- Our PE days are on Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Spring 1 PE topics will include: football and gymnastics.
- Spring 2 PE topics will include: Kwik Cricket and teamwork games.
- Please send your children to school wearing their PE kits. If they wish, children may change into uniform after.

Computing

- This term we will be learning how to touch type working towards gaining fluency in using a keyboard.

Geography

- Our study is of Western Europe; the countries which form it, the important cities, and what the union means.

Music

- We will develop our love of singing and learning to control our pitch and tone through classic and modern songs. We will learn how to warm up our bodies and voices, and how to control our breathing whilst we are singing.

Religious Education

- We will be looking at Jesus and why he is important to Christians.