

# Autumn One in Year 3



## English

We will explore 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes, focusing on creative writing & drama. Pupils will write newspaper articles about the Iron Man's appearance and act as news reporters, interviewing 'witnesses' to bring the story to life.

**We are reading...**



Our lessons will develop key literacy skills, including descriptive language, punctuation, time adverbials, similes, and paragraph use. These activities will enhance both creative and technical writing skills, fostering confidence and enthusiasm for storytelling.

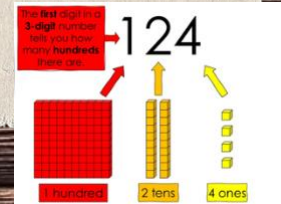
We will be developing our reading speed and fluency as well as developing vocabulary, to become independent and enthusiastic readers.

We will begin to justify our views about what we have read, make predictions and learn to recognise themes in the books we read.

## Maths

We will be looking at:

- Place Value up to 1,000
- Addition & Subtraction of 3-digit numbers.
- Rapid recall of addition & subtraction facts of all numbers to 20.
- Multiplying & Dividing by the 2s, 3s, 4s and 8s times table.



## Art

We will explore the fascinating world of prehistoric cave paintings. Pupils will learn about the history and significance of these early artworks and use this inspiration to create their own unique cave paintings. We will experiment with different grades of pencils and charcoal to understand how these materials can create various textures and tones, helping us to mimic the ancient techniques used by humans many years ago in their artwork.



We will explore the topic of 'Rocks.' Pupils will compare and group various types of rocks based on their appearance and properties. They will learn about the formation of fossils and understand that soils are made from rocks and organic matter. Additionally, the class will study the contributions of William Smith, a pioneering historical scientist, to deepen their understanding of geology and the Earth's structure.



## Geography

Pupils will name and locate counties and cities in the UK and identify countries around the world, focusing on Europe. They will begin using the eight-point compass to deepen their understanding of UK geography. Through engaging map activities and hands-on compass practice, pupils will develop locational knowledge and navigational skills. This term's work aims to build a solid foundation in both local and global geography, fostering an appreciation for the world around them.



## PSHE

Pupils will learn about different types of families and the qualities of a positive family life. They will explore what makes a healthy, positive friendship and learn strategies to avoid or resolve conflicts effectively with others.



## Music

Pupils will learn a wider range of unison songs, developing their understanding of different musical styles, melodies, and rhythms. They will enhance vocal skills, such as pitch, timing, and breath control, while exploring cultural contexts. Pupils will also build confidence and teamwork by singing collaboratively in a group.



## Homework

Another way to support your child at home is to practice their times table using TTRS.

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We recommend regular reading to be done at home – 3 times a week. Homework will be given on a Friday for the Thursday after. The homework will be either Maths or English based or sometimes both. We will also be sending home weekly a set of the Year 3 statutory spellings to learn.

## PE

We will be engaging in the Net and Wall topic. Our focus will be on developing fundamental skills such as various throwing techniques and catching. Pupils will have the opportunity to practice striking a ball using their hands or a small bat. Additionally, they will refine their striking abilities with a racquet. Through these activities, pupils will build their coordination, improve their hand-eye coordination, and enhance their overall game skills.

