# English

In English we will be reading our 'Power of Reading' text, 'I Was A Rat!' by Philip Pullman. We will be focusing on writing a recount of the story and story-mapping. We will also write newspaper articles and involve ourselves in the story.

We will develop our knowledge of Year 3 spelling, grammar and punctuation using SCODE for spelling. Year 3/4 common exception words are also practiced throughout and will be put on Dojo so that children can practise these words at home. In school, and at home, we use the reading programme 'Reading Plus' to develop our reading and comprehension skills. Children should know their passwords but please ask if not.

During all lessons, we will continue to focus on a high standard of presentation, including joined handwriting.

#### Our PE Days

Our PE morning is every **Tuesday**. Please ensure that children have correct full outdoor and indoor PE kit in school all week. If your child has long hair, please ensure it is tied back and that **earrings are removed** as outlined in the school's uniform policy on our website.

## Wider Curriculum

Computing - iMovie, Keynote and researching on the internet safely

PSHE - Celebrating Differences.

Music - Singing with Mrs Pearson

PE - Dance-Interpretive and Athletics- Indoor



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This half term in Year 3, our RE focus enquiry question will be: 'Are All Religious Texts True?" We will build a rich knowledge of both Hinduism and Christianity. Reading, comparing and discussing various texts from both religions, and then challenging our own beliefs as to whether they are or could be true.

# Design and Technology

We will also be using our creative skills to design and sew our own 3D Christmas decorations.



# Performance

We will produce and present our own musical Christmas Story evening, just before Christmas.

#### Homework

Each week the children will be set, one piece each of English and Maths on a **Friday to be submitted by the following Thursday**. There will also be a short piece of RE and/or Science recall work as well. Homework is a consolidation of what we have been learning the prior week. Please share on Dojo anything you get up to outside of school that you would like to share.

### <u>Maths</u>

In **Year 3** this term we will continue to develop our knowledge of place value and apply that knowledge to 3-digit numbers. We will continue to deepen our understanding of addition and subtraction of 3-digit numbers.

Please continue to support your child to practise their recall of times tables 2's, 3's, 5's and 10's. We will also be learning the 4's and 8's times tables this term.

We will begin to learn times tables 6's, 7's and 9's later in the year as well. The ability to recall these facts more confidently would be hugely beneficial for your child in their Maths lessons.

# <u>Science</u>

This term Year 3 will learn about 'Light and Sight' We will explore how light travels and what happens when light reflects off a mirror. We will discuss the importance of protecting our eyesight and investigate shadows, how they are formed and what affects them.

## Reading

Please continue to share the love of books with your child. Encourage them to read/share books at least 5 times per week. This can be recorded on one page per week of the Reading Record. Reads will be counted as they are sent in on your child's specified day (as last year). Reading should be a delightful experience and we encourage you to revisit and re-read favourite books and stories.