

English

This half term, we will be concentrating on learning to spell words from the Year 3 list. You will receive this list with this letter and there will be quizzes on Purple Mash to help the children learn them.

In our writing work, we will be reading The Pied Piper of Hamelin. We will take part in role-play and use this to write letters. We will be learning how to use paragraphs and write an information report on rats. We will then plan and write our own similar myth. We will explore the poems of Robert Louis Stevenson, learning some by heart and then writing poems using rhyming couplets. We will read Dick King-Smith's The Hodgeheg and explore plot, character and dialogue.

Maths

We will begin by expanding on our learning of times tables in Autumn term by multiplying and dividing 2 digit numbers. We will then move onto counting money, converting money from pounds to pence and vice versa and adding and subtracting money. We will then move on to measurements where we will measure lengths and compare equivalent measurements in mm, cm and m. We will also be learning how to calculate perimeter.

R.E.

Miss Green continues to teach R.E. on a Thursday afternoon. This term she will be thinking about 'Jesus who changes people's lives' and 'Joy, Sadness, Joy' in the run up to Easter.

Year 3 Spring Term Planet Earth

Key Vocabulary

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| Temperate | Deforestation |
| Tropical | Nutrients |
| Polar | Carbohydrates |
| Tropic of | Protein |
| Cancer | Fibre |
| Tropic of | Minerals |
| Capricorn | Vitamins |

P.E.

We are joined during the first half of this term by a dance coach who will be teaching the children on Wednesday afternoons. On Tuesday mornings, we will be continuing with gymnastics, putting together sequences and incorporating apparatus.

Science

We will start the term thinking about our own health and learning about the body. We will explore nutrition and learn what is needed for a healthy balanced diet. After half term, we will begin our learning on plants. We will revise the parts of plants and learn in depth about their functions through practical investigations.

Geography

Our big focus during this first half term will be on the 'Countries of the World'. We start by recapping the seven continents before looking more closely at their countries, including capital cities and their geographical features such as tallest mountains, longest rivers, culture and religion. After the holidays we move on to explore 'Forests', starting with a look at our local wooded area before comparing this to the tropical forests found overseas such as the Amazon rainforest.

Art/D.T.

We will be looking at botanical art. We will make careful observations, mix different tints, shades and tones of colour, and learn how to create depth in a picture.

Computing

First, we will be exploring what a Network is and finding out the difference between the internet and the World Wide Web. After half term, we will be focusing on Online Safety and learning skills to be a safe and responsible digital citizen.

Music

We will be listening to and learning about Reggae music, particularly focusing on the Bob Marley song Three Little Birds. We will be learning to sing and performing the song.

PSHE

We will be learning about relationships and we will discuss feelings, emotions, conflict resolution and friendships.

Wider Curriculum

Dance coach
Intra-sports
World Book Day

Values

Courage