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Year 3 Curriculum Information Letter Spring 2026

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome you back to school. In this letter you will find an overview of the work that your child will be completing during this term. Please find opportunities to support your child's learning by doing additional research on any new topics.

RE	<p>We will be developing the children's understanding of the Liturgical year as a celebration of the Life of Christ.</p> <p>This term in Religious Education, we are beginning a new unit called <i>Dialogue and Encounter</i>. In this unit, pupils will explore different faiths and belief systems, learning about their key beliefs and practices, and developing skills of respectful dialogue, understanding, and empathy.</p> <p>We will be learning about the Christmas story, finding out how Catholics prepare for Easter during the Season of Lent and understanding and recalling the key events in Holy Week.</p>
English	<p>Our Spring text for writing include The Rhyme of the Rain by Grahame Baker-Smith. Using this text as a stimulus we will complete a trap explanation and a fable narrative, alongside various short pieces of writing throughout the term.</p> <p>In writing we will also be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planning writing by discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write, in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar.• Using a wide range of punctuation.• Proof-read writing and identifying spelling and punctuation errors.• Practicing daily the Y3 handwriting joins to produce joined cursive writing.• Learning to spell contracted words using apostrophes and spelling words from the Y3 spelling list. <p><u>Shared Reading:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• During shared reading in class, we will be focusing on 'Bill's New Frock' and 'George's Marvellous Medicine'.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination; checking that the text makes sense by discussing and by explaining the meaning of words in context. • Asking questions to improve our understanding of a text.
Maths	<p>The children will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiplying 2-digit by 1-digit numbers, with exchanging. • Dividing –digit by 1-digit numbers, with exchanging. • Adding and subtracting length; measuring and finding equivalent lengths. • Measuring and calculating perimeter. • Recognising unit and non-unit fractions. Finding equivalent fractions. • Measuring, adding and subtracting mass, capacity and volume.
Science	<p>The children will be discovering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do animals including humans need to grow? • How are materials attracted to magnets?
Computing	<p>The children will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning about Networks and the Internet.
PE	<p>The children will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hockey (Tuesday) • Balance and Flexibility (Friday) <p>Please make sure your child that your child wears their PE kit to school on Tuesdays and Fridays.</p>
Music	<p>The children will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning to play the recorder – every Thursday a recorder teacher will be working with Y3.
French	<p>The children will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning about French adjectives of colour, size and shape.
History/Geography	<p>The children will be investigating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why did the Romans invade and settle in Britain? • Who lives in Antarctica?
PSHE	<p>TenTen Unit: 'Created to Love Others'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Religious Understanding • Personal Relationships • Keeping Safe

Homework	<p>Each week children will receive the following homework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home reading books must be in school every day. Please follow the recent information shared about 'Boom reader'. Please read every night with your child and record this on Boom reader. • Spelling homework will be given out each Friday, and checked the following Thursday. • One piece of Maths and English Homework will be given out each Friday and is to be returned the following Thursday. • Myon- An excellent resource where your child can access additional reading material and take quizzes on the texts they have read. Certificates will be given to the children who access Myon regularly. • The children will be tested on their times table knowledge on Fridays, focusing on the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.
Attendance and Punctuality	<p>This year we have a school target of 97% for pupils in Rec– 6. It is very important that your child attends school every day. Pupils with an attendance level of less than 90% are regarded by the Government as having Persistent Absence and parents will be invited into school to discuss reasons for persistent absence. If there is a cause for concern about your child's punctuality you will be contacted to discuss this matter.</p>
Other Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26th Jan - Vocations Week • 27th Feb- Church Visit • Week Beg 2nd Mar - R-Y4 Parents Reading Afternoon Sessions • 5th March - World Book Day • Thurs 12th Mar - Easter Fair Fundraiser • Tues 17th/Wed 18th March - Parent Consultations <p>Year 3's weekly visit to our school library is on Monday afternoons. Please ensure that your child brings in their library books on Mondays for changing.</p>

If you have any questions please contact the school office via email enquiry@stjonmon.bham.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

Miss Geoghegan & Miss Keegan