**French:**

Year 3 will begin their French lessons this term. We will learn different greetings and how to introduce ourselves in French.

**Computing:**

In computing lessons we will be learning about communication using email. We will also be learning how to ensure we stay safe online and how to code and create algorithms.

**PE**:

For the first half term we will be focusing on athletics and gymnastics. Then in the second half term we will be focusing on dance.

Year 3 P.E. is on Monday and Thursday. Trainers can be used when outside otherwise pumps along with shorts and white t-shirt.

Ideas to help your child at home

-Homework:

Please see the class page of the school website for more detail. Homework will be provided on the class website on Fridays. It will consist of spellings and either a maths or literacy task. This is to be completed before the following Thursday. Homework books should be handed in every Thursday.

-Reading:

Year 3 children should be reading regularly (every night if possible). Please sign the reading records and hand in on Tuesday and Thursday. Reading books will be changed when the book has been finished.

-PE:

 If your child is not taking part in P.E., due to illness or injury, please write a note to explain this.

**Maths**:

Our main topics in maths this term will be place value, addition & subtraction and multiplication & division.

We will be revising the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and also the 3 and 4 times tables.

*Please practise tables with your child when you can. Remember to use Times Table Rockstars at home.*

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**English**:

A range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry will be taught throughout the year. This term Year 3 will be reading focus texts to support writing in different fiction, non-fiction and poetry styles. We will be concentrating on writing super sentences! Our focus texts will be: Orion & The Dark, The Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark and Stone Age Boy. We will also have separate guided reading sessions.

*It is important for children to be practising their joined-up handwriting at home, when they do any written homework.*

**Adventurous Afternoons**:

*Autumn 1: Light*

*Our topic this half term for our afternoons is linked to the science topic of light and shadows.*

In science we will be studying different light sources and how shadows are created; we will be programming a digital charm in DT; using composing skills in music and developing sculpture skills in art.

*Autumn 2: Stone Age to Iron Age Britain*

*Our topic this half term for our afternoons is linked to the history topic of Stone Age to Iron Age Britain.*

In history we will be learning about what life was like in Britain in the Stone Age and through to the Iron Age. In science we will be learning about skeletons and muscles and in art we will be learning about prehistoric painting.

**RE**:

Our topic will be “Called By God” up until half term. Then for the second half of the term our topic will be “Christmas – God With Us”.

**PSHE:**

Our PSHE lessons will be about relationships and friendships this term.