

ENGLISH

We will be reading '**Big Blue Whale**' by **Nicola Davies**. This is a non-fiction text about whales. The children will be looking at how to write information texts and will write their own persuasive text about looking after the oceans.

READING

In our reading lessons we will be reading '**Blue**' by **Britta Teckentrup**. This is a fiction book about a bird that has forgotten how to fly, sing and play. The bird makes a friend who helps him remember what he has forgotten.

GEOGRAPHY

Who lives in Antarctica?

The children will be learning about climate, where is Antarctica, who lives in Antarctica, who was Shackleton and they will plan and go on an expedition around school.

FRENCH

Jeux and Chansons (Games and Songs)

The children will be learning songs and games in French and to say the numbers 1-20 in French.

COMPUTING

Computer Science

In this unit, students will be introduced to programming and data in Scratch. They will explore how programs are a set of instructions that computers follow to complete a task. Later in the unit, students will compare different types of weather data and modify a program to include variables.

Here are some of the books we will be reading this half-term:



MATHS

The children will be learning about length and perimeter. They will measure lengths and perimeters in metres, centimetres and millimetres and convert between them. They will also be learning about fractions. They will identify the numerator, denominator of fractions and they will identify equivalent fractions. They will order and compare fractions. They will continue to learn the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. Children have a login for Times Tables Rockstars and LBQ.

SCIENCE

Soil

The children will be learning to identify different types of soils. The children will explore the importance of soil. They will do a soil investigation to identify which type of soil absorbs the most water.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Structures: Constructing a castle

The children will look at the features of a castle. They will then design, make and evaluate a model of a castle using nets and cardboard.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The children will be learning about sending and receiving. Each class has two weekly lessons. Y3J will have Mr Stevenson, a sports coach, for one session weekly.

3S – Wednesday and Friday

3J – Thursday and Friday

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jewish people?

The children will be learning about Shabbat, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Passover. They will learn about how and why the Jewish people celebrate these festivals.

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PSHE

Safety and the changing body

The children will be learning about first aid in an emergency, bites and stings, cyberbullying, making good choices, being kind online, influences and staying safe out and about.

MUSIC

Drumming

The children will develop their music skills in a weekly drumming session with a specialist music teacher, Mr Simpson.