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Curriculum Newsletter for Parents

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Dear Parent,

Your child will be working on the following curriculum during this half-term. Please feel free to email <u>yearthree@st-peter.bardaglea.org.uk</u> if you have any queries.

Mathematics		English	
In Maths we will revise Year 2 topics including place value, addition and subtraction. We will also revise key skills using practical activities where possible. Children will get an opportunity to review skills they may have forgotten in a whole class and small group setting. We will then be moving onto multiplication, focusing on the 3, 4 and 8 times table, Please make sure your child revises their times tables at home. We will be giving times table tests at various intervals.		During this half term, as with other subjects, we will be reviewing and revising topics they may have missed out on in Year 2. The grammar is quite extensive this term. We will be focusing on: • Expanded nouns • Question marks • Exclamation marks • Full stops and capital letters	
Children may be set challenges to aid their progression at their own pace. The curriculum will include practical, real life problems for them to solve. For homework we are looking at units from the Mathletics scheme.		We will start the year with a transition book called, 'Here We Are'. The focus of the first two weeks of term is to ease children back into reading, writing and comprehension. This book aims to do that while making the children think about their wellbeing. After this, we will be reading 'The Tin Forest'. We will use this book to help make predictions, write diary entries and letters. Every Friday the children will be given spellings to learn. There will be a spelling test on these words, so it is important the children practice.	
Computing In the coming term, the children will learn about E-safety. This encompasses lots of different strategies to keep themselves safe online and out of harm's way.		Science This term we will be learning about rocks and soils. We will be making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units. In addition, we will be setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests.	
P.E In PE Year 3 the children will be outdoors learning key skills and activities. Alongside this, they will be encouraged to work on their basketball skills. They will learn an array of ball skills, as well as offensive and defensive moves.	Music The music topic for this term is 'Let your spirit fly.' The children will be learning songs based around this saying. We will also be learning and singing a range of hymns. However, due to the pandemic this may change to learning to play an instrument (glockenspiel).		PSHE In PSHE there is an exciting new curriculum called Jigsaw. We will be establishing our class rules and routines. We will also be holding schoo counselor elections. In addition, we wil be looking at what makes us special and unique.
MFL (French) We will be learning and recapping basic French phrases, practising correct pronunciation and basic conversations. We hope to build confidence in their verbal skills.		Geography In Geography we will be reviewing the children's map skills and finding out where important places are in the world with a focus on United Kingdom and Europe, particularly Italy.	
Art/DT Art this term will be focussed on developing observational skills with particular emphasis on drawing and sketching the natural world. We hope they enjoy this topic.		Class Assemblies or trips: Information to come. Due to the pandemic we, unfortunately, won't be able to do any school trips until further notice.	