Autumn 2021 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 yearthree@stpeter.bardaglea.org.uk if you have any queries.

Mathematics

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.

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.

Please practice times tables at home using Times Table Rock Stars.

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.

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.

learning songs based around this learning to play an instrument (glockenspiel).

Music

The music topic for this term is 'Let your spirit fly.' The children will be saying. We will also be learning and singing a range of hymns. However, due to the pandemic this may change to

English

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 and prepositional phrases
- Question marks
- Exclamation marks
- Full stops and capital letters

We will start the year with by reading 'The Tin Forest'. A tale of transformation. An old man lives in a grey and forsaken place 'that looked out on other people's rubbish and bad weather'. He dreams of a wild and colourful place and uses the resources around him in such a creative way that change comes about and a natural forest becomes entwined with one of metal. We will use this book to help make predictions, compose poetry, write diary entries and letters.

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.

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 school counselor elections. In addition, we will 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.

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.

History

In History we will be looking at Stone Age people through to the Iron Age. Children will be expected to look at artefacts and discover how our ancestors lived through an archeological approach. We will also be learning about special topics about historical days, such a Remembrance Day.

Class Assemblies, trips and special days:

21,10,21 - Prehistoric Day: More information to follow.

3H Class Assembly - 17.01.22 - Rule of Law: More information to come regarding parent attendance.

30 Class Assembly - 31.01.22 - Candlemas and Light: Rule of Law: More information to come regarding parent attendance.