

**Autumn 2023**  
**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@st-peter.bardaglea.org.uk](mailto:yearthree@st-peter.bardaglea.org.uk) if you have any queries.

<p><b>Mathematics</b></p> <p>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 our daily Maths On Track sessions.</p> <p>We will then be moving onto geometry where we will be exploring the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. In addition to this, the children will be learning and applying new mathematical concepts and terminology related to shape.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Please practice times tables at home using Times Table Rock Stars.</p>	<p><b>English</b></p> <p>We will start the year with 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.</p> <p>In our SpAG sessions, we will be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Expanded nouns and prepositional phrases</li><li>• Question marks</li><li>• Exclamation marks</li><li>• Full stops and capital letters</li></ul>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Computing</b></p> <p>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. We will also explore the topics 'Touch typing' and 'Emails'.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Science</b></p> <p>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>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>P.E</b></p> <p>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.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Music</b></p> <p>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).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PSHE</b></p> <p>This term, we will continue with the new "Ten:Ten" PSHE learning scheme. We will cover the following topics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safety first</li><li>• Aiming high.</li><li>• Digital wellbeing</li><li>• Money matters</li><li>• Created and loved by God</li></ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MFL (French)</b></p> <p>We will be introducing the children to the French language and some basic greetings and keywords. The children will start to become more familiar with the culture and customs of France and other speaking countries.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>History</b></p> <p>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.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Art/DT</b></p> <p>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.</p>	<p><b>Class Assemblies, trips and special days:</b></p> <p>Stone Age Day: More information to follow.</p> <p>3D Class Assembly - 15.01.23 PE Days: Thursday and Friday</p> <p>3B Class Assembly - 29.01.23 PE Days: Tuesday and Thursday</p> <p>Year 3 Parent's Meeting: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 2:45pm.</p>	

