

English

One of our key texts this half term will be 'The Hodgeheg' by Dick King-Smith. We will be using the story to help to develop our skills in writing a descriptive narrative; looking to include noun phrases, adverbial phrases and speech marks.

We will then go on to use the non-fiction book 'Meet the Romans' by James Davies and use the information to create a guide for how to be a Roman Soldier. In this writing unit we will apply the features of non-fiction texts, as well as using complex sentences and fronted adverbials.

Within guided reading we will explore the text 'Sona Sharma Looking after Planet Earth'. We will use this text to help practise and develop the children's reading fluency skills alongside learning to retrieve, predict and infer information about the text. Children will also develop their skills in investigating new vocabulary through dictionary practise.

Design & Technology (D&T)

Nutritious and healthy eating is the focus within our D&T topic this half term. We will practise our cutting and peeling skills before sampling seasonal ingredients, using these to design and create our own seasonal tart.

MFL

Within our French lessons we will learn how to pronounce different musical instruments and to communicate what we are able to do, such as dance, swim, play football, etc.

PSHE

For our PSHE lessons we will explore the theme of how to look after our world. We will find out about different types of pollution, the impact this has on our environment and consider how we can contribute towards looking after our planet.

Year 3

Spring Term 2

Who lives in Antarctica?

Geography

In geography, the children will work towards answering the 'big question,' Who lives in Antarctica? We will explore its climate and find out where it is, before finding out about Ernest Shackleton and planning our own expedition around the school, using our knowledge of maps and compass points.

Computing

For our computing lessons we will be developing our understanding of databases; grouping and classifying information within these.

Music

In music we will be learning lyrics to songs and taking part in the year 3 and 4 production of Sir David Hattenscarf and the Wonders of the World.

Maths

This term we will first complete work on addition and subtraction. We will be able to add and subtract multiples of 10 from a 3-digit number and learn various mental strategies.

We will then complete a unit about time where we are revisiting reading the time to o'clock (the hour), a quarter past, half past and a quarter to the hour. We are moving onto telling the time to 5 minutes and also to the nearest minute past and to the hour.

Then we are looking at multiplication and division, recapping our 2, 5 and 10-times tables and then moving through our 3, 4 and 8-times table. We are then using times tables and division to solve written word problems.

Science

Plants don't go to McDonalds! We will be learning this half term about how plants make their own food. We will learn that to make their own food, plants need to take up water from the ground, carbon dioxide from the air and light from the sun. We will know that food provides plants with energy to grow.

RE

This half term we are learning about the paschal candle. We will be learning about what a ritual is and how the paschal candle is a ritual used by Christians as part of Easter traditions.

PE

PE lessons will continue to be taught on a Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon for both year 3 classes. During our PE lessons, we will learn and develop skills relating to the sport of tennis. Furthermore, we will focus on our teamwork and communication, alongside developing skills relating to football.