

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2018

Welcome back to school, I hope you have had a lovely summer. I am looking forward to getting to know your children and teaching them over the upcoming year. You will receive a class newsletter at the beginning of every term where you will find out all about what Year 3 will be learning. Our class newsletters are available on the school website. Please follow us on Twitter to see what exciting things we have been up to!

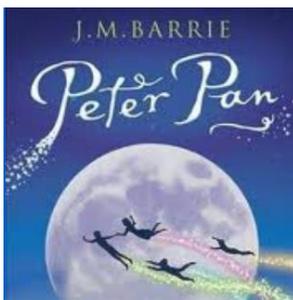
English

In English this term, our work will be based upon 'Orion and the Dark' and Greek Myths.

Children will write their own short adventure stories, and be developing their understanding of the importance of characters in stories. They will move onto to looking at poems with a structure, and writing shape poems.

We will look carefully at various Greek Myths, and be able to retell one of our choice. The children will be learning lots of information about Greece, and will write an information page about the country.

Our two class novels will be 'The Secret Seven' by Enid Blyton and 'Peter Pan' by J.M Barrie.



How to help your child in English

Read with your child every night, it is important that children develop a love of reading, so please discuss their books with them to encourage this.

Maths

In maths we are going to be developing our place value knowledge, of larger numbers. We shall spend some time practising our mental arithmetic before learning some new written methods!

We shall be having a big push on times tables, in particular our 3x and 4x tables. Later in the term we will be looking at division.

We shall investigate both 2-d and 3-d shapes, and their properties, before learning something new - perimeter!

How to help your child in Maths

Please practise times tables regularly with your child, and help them to learn their 3x and 4x tables.

4x 3x

You could also encourage your child to read an analogue clock, by asking them what time it is.



Topic - History, Geography, Computing & Art

We shall begin the year with history, learning about Charnock Richard, finding out about how the village has changed.

After half term, we shall change to geography where we will be going on a journey through the Americas, and discovering how why the continents are different.

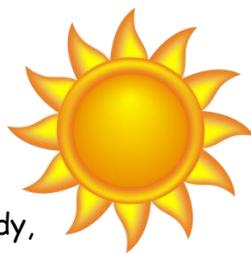


In computing, we shall be learning about emails and how to browse the internet safely. In art we shall be looking at the work of Andy Goldsworthy and developing our drawing skills.

Science

Our science topics are 'animals including humans' and 'light'.

We shall be finding out about the human body,



identifying the importance of the skeleton and how muscles work.

In our light topic we shall be finding out how we see, before investigating shadows, and the importance of the sun in order for us to see.

PSHE

In PSHE our units are taking part, so understanding the importance of sharing and getting involved. After half term we shall look at anti-bullying and knowing it is okay to be different.

RE

In R.E we shall be learning about the Jewish festival of Sukkot, developing the importance of Harvest, and why Christians sing in worship. We shall also be finding out about Christmas and how God is with us during this festival.

General Notices

PE for this half term will be on a Wednesday and Friday however, PE kit needs to be in school every day for various sports clubs.

You should have also received today a letter regarding homework for the Autumn Term.

Mrs Taylor will teach the children on a Thursday morning, she will teach PSHE, Spanish and Music.

If you have any questions, or if you would like any further guidance in supporting your child, please don't hesitate to come and speak to us!

Mrs Lowe & Mrs Huddy