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English



Writing - Our English units will mainly link in with our Science topics of Nutrition and Rocks. We will be:

- Reading and writing our own non-chronological reports about nutrition and healthy eating;
- Exploring shape poems and calligrams;
- Reading and writing myths and legends of Stonehenge and King Arthur which links to our History unit.

Reading - During Guided Reading the children will focus on:

- Developing different reading strategies;
- Improving their comprehension skills using Reciprocal Reading to deepen understanding.

They will be taught to:

- Provide evidence from the text;
- Make sensible predictions;
- Clarify meanings;
- Summarise text.

Speak Up! - We are continuing to promote Standard English in both speaking and writing.

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Miss Patora (YGL) - 3P

Mrs Nair - 3N

Mr Field - 3F

Mr Chesters - 3C



We continue to thank parents for their partnership with our school and their involvement in their child's learning. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Computing



Children will learn how to create their very own animations using Scratch programme and also fixing programming errors in our 'Debugging' unit.

Computing will also be included within all other subjects.

Maths

In Maths we will aim to master:

- Addition and subtraction;
- Multiplication and division;
- Fractions;
- Decimals;
- Statistics - interpreting data;
- A range of problem solving opportunities.

Children must learn their times tables off by heart for: 2, 3, 4, 8 and 10.



Science

We are learning about Animals including humans. We will:

- Learn about nutrition and how it affects our well-being.
- Learn about different types of skeletons and identify bones and muscles in a human body.

Our second topic will be 'Rocks', covering:

- The comparison of different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and properties;
- Description of fossils;



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R.E/PSHE



R.E. - We will be looking at the teachings of Jesus and Buddha and how they made people stop and think.

PSHE - Our topic will be 'Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco' where the children will be discussing the dangers and negative effects of these substances.



3P - Tuesdays/Thursdays

3N - Tuesdays/Fridays

3F - Thursdays/Fridays

3C - Wednesdays/Thursdays

Please remember to make sure your child has their PE kit on a Monday. They will take it home to wash on a Friday.

Art/DT/Music



Art - We will be creating cave paintings.

Music - Flutophones lessons will be provided on a weekly basis during our ECaM sessions.

DT - We will be designing and making healthy packed lunches.

Home Learning

Homework is a continuation of school work at home and is a great opportunity for your child to practise the skills they have learnt.

Reading - For the children to progress in their reading, they need to read aloud daily. Please write a short comment in their reading log to communicate to us how they are reading at home.

Spellings - Weekly spellings should be practised at home daily using the Read, Write, Look, Cover, Check strategy.

English - Please check your child's homework book. Homework will relate to the unit of work for that week. We expect a high standard of writing, the same as we would expect in a lesson.

Maths - Activities are given based on the unit of work taught that week.

Children also need to learn their times tables off by heart for: 2, 3, 4, 8 and 10.

Speak Up! - A poem will be given all pupils to be learned off by heart at the beginning of each half term. These will be performed in an assembly each half term.



History



History - Our topic will be about changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. Children will:

- Learn about late Neolithic hunter-gathering and early farming;
- Learn about Bronze religion, technology and travel;
- Learn about Iron Age hill forts.

A very exciting topic that will link to English!

Educational Visits



In January, we will visit Kidzania where children will get the opportunity to become working adults for the day. They will be able experience what it's like to earn money so that they can then spend it and learn the value of work!