



Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter – Summer 1

Maths

In Maths, we will start off the term by continuing with fractions. The children will learn how to find fractions of amounts and find equivalent fractions. They will also learn how to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator. We will then move on to money. In this unit, the children will learn how to add and subtract money and convert pounds to pence. Finally, we will end the term by looking at time. In this unit, the children will learn how many hours are in a day and how many months are in a year. They will then solve problems with time and begin to tell the time to 1 minute.

English

To begin the term, we will be reading the traditional story of *How the Tiger Got His Stripes*. The children will then write their own traditional story in the same style. We will then be looking at different types of poetry, but particularly *The Sound Collector* by Roger McGough. During the second half term we will be studying the classical Shakespeare tragedy play, *King Lear* and using our drama and performance skills to bring the play to life.

Science

Our next Science unit will be all about light. We will be looking at how light travels, what makes a light source, how shadows are created and finally how to stay safe in the sun. During the second half term we will be revising all of the previously taught Year 3 science topics in preparation for our end of year review.

Art

What effects can be created in painting when water is added?

This half term, the children will learn how to mix primary colours to create different tones of warm and cold colours. They will be focussing their art work on the work of Georgia O'Keeffe, an American artist who is famous for her simple floral designs.

History

Ancient Egyptians

We will be learning about how Ancient Egypt was similar and different to Ancient Rome. Pupils will have the chance to learn about pyramids, mummification, Ancient Egyptian Gods and Tutankhamun.

PE

Cricket & Swimming

Year 3 children will get the opportunity to have cricket coaches come in to support them with their lessons for this half term. Warhol class will continue to swim each Tuesday.

PSHE

What are Human Rights?

In this unit we will be looking at the differences between wants and needs. The children will understand that humans are entitled to rights and they will be able to name some of the rights that we have.

RE

The Journey of Life: How do people show their commitment to a religion?

This term, we will be looking at how different religions commit to their religion. We will be focussing on what ceremonies and celebrations take place.

Music

Notation

This half term, the children will be reading music notation and using this to play tuned instruments. Throughout the unit, the children will be given the opportunity to perform in small groups.

Important Information

- PE Days
Dali Class - Tuesday and Thursday (Both Outdoors)
Warhol Class - Tuesday (Swimming) Thursday (Outdoors)
- It is important your child reads 3 times a week and their reading log must be signed and brought to school on a Friday.
- Homework will be handed out every Friday. Please complete the homework each week and upload a picture to Dojo. If you require a paper copy of the homework, then please contact your child's class teacher.
- Forest School - Dali Class will be attending Forest School on a Tuesday.
Forest School - Warhol Class will be attending Forest School on a Wednesday.
Your child will need to come to school with a change of clothes, a change of shoes and an extra layer.
- Swimming will continue for Warhol Class next half term. Please make sure that your child brings the appropriate swimming kit every Tuesday. If your child requires goggles, you can complete a permission slip and return this to the office.