



Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter – Spring 2

Maths

In Maths, we will start off the term by looking at statistics. We will be using tally charts, bar charts and pictograms to gather information. We will then move on to length and perimeter. In this unit, the children will measure, add and subtract different lengths before calculating and measuring the perimeter of different shapes. Our final unit will be fractions where the children will learn to find halves, thirds and quarters of different amounts. We will also be finding unit and non-unit fractions.

English

To begin the term, we will be writing diary entries from the perspective of a Roman soldier. During the first week back we will be going back in time to speak to a real Roman soldier via Zoom! Our writing will focus on using past tense, paragraphs and interesting adjectives to create engaging entries. Towards the end of the half term we will be writing setting descriptions. For our setting descriptions we will develop our ability to use senses in writing, choose appropriate adjectives and select specific nouns.

Science

In Science, we will be looking at rocks and identifying where soil comes from. The children will learn about where soil comes from and what soil is made from. They will learn about the three main types of natural rock; igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks and man-made rocks. The children will lead their own enquiries into natural and man-made rocks and will identify how they are formed. By the end of the term, the children will be able to identify the three types of natural rock and provide examples and identify different types of man-made rock. They will also recognise how fossils are formed and order the process of fossilisation.

Art

How are man-made materials used to create sculptures inspired by nature?

In Art, we will be working a lot with clay to make sculptures from both observation and imagination. We will be focusing on Anna Collette Hunt, who is a local jewellery designer.

History

Was the Roman Invasion a good thing for Britain?

Throughout our History lessons we will be identifying what the Romans did for Britain. We will be looking at some key dates in history understanding where the Romans invaded Britain.

PE

Tennis, Rugby and Swimming

Year 3 children will have the privilege of swimming each week this term by visiting Aylestone Leisure Centre. The children will also learn key skills for Tennis and Rugby.

PSHE

What are risks and how can I reduce them?

In this unit we will be looking at the different types of risk including: physical, social and emotional risk. The children will learn about strategies to reduce risk to themselves.

RE

How does a Christian follow Jesus?

This term we will be learning about Christianity. The children will learn about what Christians believe and how they follow Jesus.

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 is on Wednesday (outdoor PE) and Friday (Swimming). Your child should come to school in their PE kit.
- 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.
- The weather will be cold upon return, so please continue to wrap up your children warmly.
- Swimming will continue next half term. Please make sure that your child brings the appropriate swimming kit every Friday. If your child requires goggles, you can complete a permission slip and return this to the office.