



Curriculum Overview for Year 3 - Summer Term 2018



More fun and learning in 2018!

We have had an amazing couple of terms with the children and can't believe it's the Summer term already! Here is a brief summary of just some of the things we will be learning during the Summer term. As always, if you have any concerns or questions throughout the term, you can speak to us any day after school. Please continue to read with your child as often as possible and see the inside of the reading diary for a timetable of homework. Numeracy is sent home on a Tuesday and Literacy is sent home on a Thursday.

Literacy

SPEAKING and LISTENING



Through discussion in large and small groups, as well as drama activities, the children will continue to develop their confidence to contribute in class.

READING

Comprehension will be developed through shared, guided and class reading. We will look at the skills needed to be able to successfully complete comprehension activities.

WRITING

We will be learning about *non-fiction texts* and the children will be developing their skills to write their own. Our focus will initially be on *dragons*, so if you have any books to help us with this, this would be greatly appreciated (fiction or non-fiction). Please label with your child's name. We will also be doing another FANTASTICs unit based on a short film, where the children will be developing their vocabulary and sentence types while writing their own story.

Numeracy

We will continue using the curriculum to extend children's knowledge, understanding and application in these areas:

NUMBER

Mental maths, formal written methods of addition and subtraction of three-digit numbers (using a variety of methods), formal methods of multiplication and division, fractions and problem solving.

MEASURES

Using different units of measure and reading and using time to the nearest minute.



GEOMETRY

Consolidating knowledge of 2D and 3D shapes and being able to recognise right angles.

In both numeracy and literacy, children will meet these areas of learning at their own level and pace.

Science

Plants: Children will be able to recognise and label the parts of a plant. We will also look at the life cycle of a plant, photosynthesis and seed dispersal. They will continue to develop their scientific enquiry skills when carrying out an investigation. They will have to plan, predict, carry out and feedback on results of experiments. **We will also be covering Forces, Magnets and Light.**

Information Technology

We will be developing coding and gaming skills throughout the up coming term. We will also continue to develop word and power point skills as well as the ability to research a given topic using the internet. The children will also be looking at the importance of safety on the internet.



History & Geography

Our new topic will be Scavengers and settlers. We learn about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age as well as the people and civilisations that lived during these time periods (again if you have any books that you think would be helpful, we would love to see them).

Religious Education

We will continue to learn about the Christian concept of Salvation and why we call the day Jesus died 'Good' Friday. Then we will explore what Christians learn from the Creation story and discover different approaches to Prayer in various world faiths.

Art

We will be looking at Stone Age cave paintings and will explore different mediums when making our own. We will be using a variety of simple tools and equipment when looking at the different art forms of the early ages.



Music

The main focus this term will be on learning to play the recorder. They will develop their musical vocabulary as well as learn to read simple notated music.

We will as usual do lots of singing too!



French

The children will continue to develop their knowledge of basic French vocabulary. The focus this term will be naming body parts and days of the week. We will also extend our number vocabulary up to 20.



Personal Social and Health Education/SEAL

We will be starting a topic called 'Good to be me', where the children will learn about self awareness and be able to acknowledge their strengths as well as their weaknesses.

Physical Education

Year 3 are very lucky to have the chance to work with an outstanding sports teacher who will focus on Football skills for the first half of term with them. We will focus on developing athletic skills such as running, jumping and throwing. They will also do gymnastics as we have had some new and exciting equipment arrive!

Swimming will continue for the first half term as usual.



We're looking forward to lots more adventures in Year 3!
Mrs Davies & Miss Codd