



Summer

# YEAR 3

## NEWSLETTER

Please find below details about the areas of study for this term. This is intended as a guide for anything you may want to do at home that could usefully link to the curriculum your children will be studying.

## CORE SUBJECTS

### Maths

In the first part of the term we will continue to investigate and apply our knowledge of fractions.

We will be looking at how to tell the time using both analogue and digital clocks.

It would be good if you had an analogue watch to wear to school to help with this.

Towards the end of the term we will be revisiting basic arithmetic skills. And we will be going over the written methods for addition, subtraction and multiplication.

Please keep practising times tables to support your child's understanding of multiplication and division.

In year 3 we should know our 2,3,4,5,8 and 10 times tables.

### English

This term we will be looking at persuasive writing using a variety of texts to help us.

Also we will be discovering how to create mystery and suspense in our writing, particularly thinking about scene setting, use of figurative language and variation of sentence structure.

We will be looking at poetry and writing our own. We will also be learning about performance poetry.

To support your child at home you could share different types of books and discuss the characters' feelings, problems and actions by asking questions- How does this character feel? How do you know? What might happen next?

### Science

This term we will be starting with an investigation into magnets.

Following this we will be investigating plants- firstly considering how plants grow and the processes involved.

Secondly, we will learn about flowers, fruits and seeds and the process of pollination.

This will be supported by an educational visit to Hatfield Forest to learn about Trees and Bees. More information on this will follow shortly.

### Computing

In computing children will become communicators and presenters of their own information. They will have an opportunity to use various presentation software to create and enhance their own material to present to others.

To find out more about staying safe online, look at Hector's world. [https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5\\_7/hectorsworld/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/hectorsworld/)

## FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

### Music & French

During Music this term we will be looking at rhythm and pitch.

In French we will be continuing to count to 30. We will learn vocabulary related to food and school.

### RE & PSHE

The Summer term brings an opportunity to investigate and begin to understand religions other than Christianity. Our focus this year will be Sikhism.

During PSHE lessons we will look at how we live in the wider world. We will also be learning about age-appropriate elements of our Sex and Relationships curriculum.

More information about this will follow shortly.

### Geography

Our main topic for Geography this term will be a study of Italy - its physical geography, its land use and its similarities and differences to places we are more familiar with in the UK.

We will be looking at the food, in particular the breads which will link to D & T.

### DT

In Design and Technology we will be learning about making bread. We will taste different breads and design our own versions. This will also link to our work on Italy.

### Art

In Art this term we will be learning to create different painting techniques and textures using brushes and other tools. We will be making sure we can mix colours effectively and use vivid and pale colours to create different impressions. We will be using the portrait work of Picasso as inspiration for our work.