

## Year 3 Newsletter – 2019 Spring Term

### Literacy

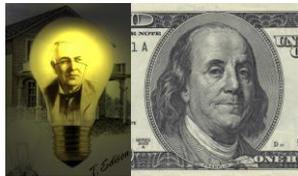
This term we will begin Unit 4 of our Literacy and Language programme focusing on poetic language and word play initially, moving on to Non-Fiction Explanations. We will also continue to focus on spelling, handwriting, grammar, punctuation and reading comprehension.

### Numeracy

Our attention will turn to measurement and geometry this term. We'll learn how to convert between different units of measurement and measure a variety of angles recognising those which are bigger or smaller than right angles.

### Science

In Science we will look at materials and how they can change states depending on conditions around them. We will investigate how sound and vibration are linked and find out about American inventors and scientists such as Thomas Edison and Benjamin Franklin.



### Geography

On our American road trip we will find out about the 50 states of the USA, as well as their main cities and landmarks. We'll also explore American National Parks and consider why they are so important.



### Religious Education

This term we will explore key texts from the Bible. We will also deepen our knowledge of The Easter Story in preparation for our Easter Service.

### Design and Technology

Inspired by our American Road Trip topic, we will find out about the foods eaten by the indigenous communities of America. We will learn about how they grew, caught, gathered and prepared their food and how both the slave trade and Mexico have influenced American cuisine.



### French

In French, we will continue to add to our vocabulary of French words. We will talk about our relations, pets, rooms in our homes.

### Music

We will continue to learn the chords on the ukulele to help us perform more complex pieces of music with Ms Smith.

### Computing

We will be exploring online safety this term - looking at the use of adverts on the web, the use of email and other online communication.

### Physical Education

In the Spring term we will continue with our sessions at Willowburn (swimming and bouldering for us), as well as football and gymnastics lessons on a Tuesday afternoon. Please remember to wear your sports kit to school on Tuesdays - navy/blue shorts/tracksuit bottoms, white t shirt and either a school coloured sweatshirt or sports hoody. Outdoor shoes and shin pads for Football Sessions please.



### Homework

Set weekly to be completed by a Wednesday. New tasks and spelling scores will be added on a Thursday. Spelling tests will continue to be every Thursday too.

### Reading Challenge

Holiday challenge -please keep reading 4 times a week, recording a comment and get an adult to sign your diary.

Half Termly challenge - we are strict with this challenge, in terms of handing out our prizes, as we see the huge impact and benefits it has on children's reading ages and comprehension of texts.