

Half Term Curriculum Overview

Year 3 Summer 2 2021

English

We will start off the half term looking at shape poetry and having a go at writing our own shape poem linked to our learning about the environment. We will then move on to read 'Egyptian Cinderella' by Shirley Climo. We will use this to write character descriptions, setting descriptions and retell a familiar fairy tale story in a different format. We will also look at the familiar myth and legend of Robin Hood. We will work to embed the concepts we have learnt in year three, ready for year four.

Phonics – Consolidation of Phase 5.

Spelling – We will focus on the suffix -ly, 'I' sound spelt as 'y', vowel digraphs, 'ou' sound, homophones and focus on the year 3 and 4 statutory spelling list. Spellings will be tested every Friday and you can find the spellings on the class page on the website.

PE

Outdoor – Tuesday – Athletics

Indoor – Wednesday – Dance (or outside if the weather is good).

On these days, you can come to school wearing your outdoor PE kit and stay in them all day.

Computing

Data Handling

- Collect and organise information to find answers to questions.
- Create different graphs that show data for different purposes across the curriculum.
- Store and access data using a database

Science and History

Science – Plants

- Explore what plants need to grow well.
- Compare how plants grow in different soils and explore how fertilisers can be used to improve growth
- Set up simple comparative tests to compare the effect of soil, water, fertilisers and space on plant growth
- Make careful observations and record how their plants change over time.

History – Ancient Egyptians

- Place historical events and achievements on a timeline
- Ask and answer questions about historical artefacts, pictures or articles.
- Use more than one source of evidence to gain an accurate understanding of the key features of Ancient Egyptian religion.
- Identify the key features of Ancient Egyptian culture and life.
- Explore the Ancient Egyptian ruling system (pharaohs).
- To explore what made the Ancient Egyptians such a successful civilisation - pyramids, tombs, pharaohs.
- Compare Ancient Egyptian life with life now.

Carousel

Computing – Computer Science for 3J

Music – Music Composition for 3Jc

Mathematics

This half term we will work finish off our learning about fractions by finding fractions of amounts and look at equivalent fractions. We will learn about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, learn about angles and lines and find out about mass and capacity. In arithmetic, we will continue working on consolidation of the four operations in preparation for year four.

KIRFS – We are practising stage 3 KIRFS. These will be assessed in school once a week on a Friday and need to be practised at home.

Times Tables – There will be a large emphasis placed on times tables this year as there is a new times tables test towards the end of year four. By year three, children need to be confident with their 1, 2, 5 and 10 times tables and this year we will focus on the teaching of the 3, 4 and 8 times tables. We encourage using TT Rockstars at home to practise and there are weekly competitions that run between both year three classes.

PHSCE

Health

- Personal safety (linked to teeth and healthy eating)
- Healthy eating / being active: caring for my body & making healthy choices

Homework and other information

- **Reading:** Children are encouraged to read every day and there is an opportunity to change books weekly (on a Monday due to COVID19). Every time your child reads, they receive a sticker. All children receive a wall chart for home reading which they are awarded in class when they complete it.
- **Spellings:** Spellings will be taught in class and should be practised at least three times a week at home.
- **Maths:** Practise KIRFs including times tables daily. They will be assessed in school once a week.
- **Homework:** Spellings and KIRFS will be set on a Friday to be tested in school the following Friday. Homework can be found on our class pages on the website under Summer 1 Homework.