

Year 3 Spring Term



Welcome back after the Christmas break. We hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday!

We look forward to an exciting and busy term ahead, full of learning! We will continue to teach through a thematic approach. This allows children to make connections between areas of learning and consolidate skills. All the themes deliver the programmes of study for the National Curriculum. MFL, RE and science will be taught discreetly.

Maths

As Mathematicians in Year 3, the children will be starting the term consolidating their knowledge and understanding of multiplication and division facts. Children will then learn how to solve divisions using hundreds, tens and ones counters. (see the calculation policy on the website for more information) Children will then move onto money, adding and subtracting amounts to give change, using pounds and pence and end the half term tackling statistics. After half term we will then move on to measurement – comparing lengths and problem solving as well as calculating the perimeter of simple 2D shapes. Finally, the children will complete the term by learning about fractions. Children will continue to have 'Superhero' times table challenges each week and a weekly arithmetic lesson.

English

In English, our writing will continue to be linked to our Thematic curriculum where possible. Children will be learning to use a range of punctuation in their writing, including inverted commas and apostrophes. Children will also be encouraged to edit and improve their writing by using a range of appropriate vocabulary including conjunctions, expanded noun phrases, adverbs and a variety of sentence openers. We will be asking the children to apply their skills through fiction and non-fiction writing. Star writer is awarded at the end of each unit too!

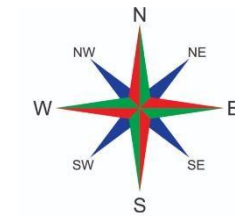


Thematic Topic

Our first topic this term is "Athens vs. Sparta". This is a thematic unit based on Ancient Greece, with a key focus on history. Learning is centred on how the Greeks used to live, including the key aspect of mythology, especially highlighting the conflicts that characterised Ancient Greece, including the Persian Wars.



We will then move onto the topic of 'Out and About'. "Out and About" is a thematic unit with a key focus on geography. We will be naming and locating counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, using the eight points of a compass, four-figure grid references, symbols and keys; using fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area and developing an understanding of why the place our school is located is



like it is.

PE

Science

As Scientists, the children will be learning about plants. They will identify the functions of different parts of flowering plants and will investigate the way water is transported within plants.



Religious Education

This term, in RE we will complete our Hinduism unit. Then, the children will move on to learn about inspiring founders and leaders in Sikhism. They will recognise the role of Gurus and identify how Guru Nanak is an example for Sikhs.

This term, our children will be focusing on skills to play games and dance skills. Please ensure to wear the school PE kit for the days you have PE.

Music

Class II will receive tuition from the Music service this term. We will also learn about rhythm and pitch in class.

PSHEe

During our PSHEe sessions, children will be learning about living in a wider world. They will learn about value of rules and laws; rights, freedoms and responsibilities. How the internet is used and assessing information online. Children will also consider different jobs and skills; job Stereotypes and setting personal goals

MFL

We will continue to learn French. As well as revising key vocabulary already taught, we will extend this learning to explore different food items.