

Year 3 Curriculum Overview – Spring 1

Maths

We will begin the half term by learning to multiply and divide two-digit numbers by one-digit numbers. We will learn how to complete these calculations using a written method. We will then move on to look at scaling, using our skills from the multiplication and division unit.

As well as this, we will have daily basic skills sessions where we will consolidate the learning that we have completed in maths so far. This will include recapping addition and subtraction using a written method, and securing our knowledge within place value and number. Finally, alongside this, we will be continuing to learn our 3 and 4 times tables.

English

In English this half term, we will be practising our basic skills through writing fairy-tale narratives based on *The Little Shoemaker*. As well as this, we will write explanation texts linked to the same stimulus. We will continue to explore the use of past tense and write expanded noun phrases to add detail to our work. We will write sentences with adverbial openers to vary sentence types within our writing. We will continue to learn spelling rules and common exception words weekly (see spelling overview) as well as recap the words from Year 2. We will also continue to practise our reading and comprehension skills through guided reading and independent tasks. Our guided novel this half term will be *The Boy Who Grew Dragons* by Andy Shepherd.



Science

In science this half term, we will be learning about light. We will identify why it is important to protect our eyes from the sun. As well as this, we will be learning how light is reflected on different surfaces. We will investigate which surfaces are the most reflective.

PE

In our PE session this half term, we will be learning hockey skills with a specialist coach. We will be learning how to control a ball using a hockey stick and will participate in competitive games.

How to get involved at home

- Practise counting forwards and backwards in 3s, 4s and 8s.
- Practise adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers.
- Encourage your child to practise their spellings.
- Complete homework tasks on a daily basis.
- Encourage your child to read at home – make a note of it in their reading record.

History

In history this half term, we will be learning about changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We will begin by looking at Stone Age settlements. We will then identify changes during the Bronze Age and Iron Age and make comparisons between the periods of time.

Art

In art this half term, we will be learning about the artist Andy Warhol. We will be creating collages that are inspired by his work by using techniques similar to his.

PSHE

This half term, we will be learning about growing and changing. We will also be learning about identity and how everyone has their own identity.

Music

In music this half term, we are continuing to learn to play the recorder with Mr Little.