

Year 3 Curriculum Overview – Spring 2

Maths

We will begin the half term by learning about money. We will start by recognising pounds and pence and converting them from one to another. We will then move on to add and subtract money. We will finish the half term by consolidating our knowledge that we have learnt in year 3 so far. 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 8- and 6-times tables.

English

In English this half term we will be developing our journalistic writing skills by producing newspaper reports based on the story of Little Red Riding Hood. We will then be practising our basic skills through writing fantasy narratives based on 'Bubbles'. 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 high frequency 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 continue to be The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd.



Science

In science this half term, we will be learning about forces and magnets. The children will compare how things move on different surfaces. We will look at how some forces need contact between two objects but magnetic forces can act at a distance.

PE

In one of our PE sessions this half term, we will be learning gymnastics skills with a specialist coach. We will be learning basic gymnastic moves and putting them together to form a sequence.

How to get involved at home

- Practise counting forwards and backwards in 3s, 4s, 6s 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.

Geography

In geography, we will be learning about the countries and cities that make up the UK. We will begin by locating the countries and main cities on a map. We will then move on to learn about the criteria that makes a city and identify the human and physical features within cities in our region.

DT

In DT this half term, we will be researching, designing and making our own healthy pitta/wraps. We will then create packaging to market and advertise our product.

Computing

This half term, we will be developing our technology skills by completing different tasks on coding.

Music

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