

English

This term we will continue to look at a range of different genres of writing. We will continue to use the 'Talk for Writing' tools and ideas to teach grammar conventions and writing skills. The genres we will cover this term are: persuasion, scene setting, openings and endings and explanations. We will be looking at a model text for each of the genres to help us with our writing and then using the features of each genre in our own writing.

Science

So far this year in science, the children have been learning about ideas around physics and biology by learning about forces and magnets, light and animals including humans. For the summer term we will move on to the third science discipline, chemistry, where we look into states of matter. This area of science gives lots of opportunities for the children to test theories and create investigations. As with history and geography, a knowledge organiser will be sent home to support the children with their learning.



What are we learning this term?

Year 3
Summer Term
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A Warm Welcome Back!

Welcome back to our final term together. The summer term is always varied, exciting and full of opportunities for learning inside and outside of the classroom. I am really looking forward to building on all of the good work so far and would like to thank you for your help and continued support. The following information will help you in supporting your child's learning at home.

Religious Education

For the summer term we will be learning about 'Sacred Places' and places of worship across Christianity, Hinduism, Islam and Humanism.

Maths



In the summer term we will be learning more about fractions, learning to tell the time and solving problems around intervals, using money and gathering and presenting statistical information. We use other subjects such as D&T and science to apply what we have learned and to look at other areas of maths like shape, space and measure. The children are continuing to build on previous knowledge, revising place value, and addition and subtraction through daily four operations and problem solving throughout our maths lessons. We should still be developing our multiplication tables knowledge using TTRockstars and Mathletics to help build on our knowledge and understanding.

PSHE

Personal, Social, Health Education

We will continue to use HeartSmart for our PSHE learning and the theme for the first half-term is 'Fake is a Mistake' where we discuss and look at being our true selves. In summer 2 'No Way Through, Isn't True' switches our attention to finding ways to overcome challenges and developing a positive attitude to change.

Learning Challenge

Our question for the spring term is 'How can we recreate the wonder of Ancient Egypt?' We will learn about the importance of the river Nile, Egyptian gods, jewellery, canopic jars and hieroglyphics. Our learning challenge will give us the opportunity to develop our geography skills and links with lots of other topic areas including art and D&T. To help remember facts and dates, the children have knowledge organisers in their books and copies have also been sent home in their reading record.

Art

The children have really enjoyed creating amazing art this year and we will continue to use our sketch books to practice and develop our skills. The summer term will also see us investigating and experimenting with different types of painting. We will use different materials including clay and natural materials to create exciting pieces of art. Keep a look out for the children's work on Twitter @huttoncran and @MrN_HCPS

PE

Indoor PE will now be on Friday and for the first half term we will be exploring and developing skills in dance and gymnastics. In the second half of the term we will move outside and continue to develop our throwing and catching skills through cricket and rounders. Our sports coach Fiona will also be here every Wednesday for outdoor PE and will start the term by focussing on tennis. For our final term we will move onto athletics in preparation for our sports day activities. The children really enjoy their PE and the correct clothing and footwear, in particular, is really important and I thank you in advance for providing appropriate clothing and footwear to ensure they get the most from PE and games.

Computing

Throughout the term we will continue to use Purple Mash to teach the children about coding and computer science and learning about sending emails. They will also be carrying out safe internet searches to retrieve digital content and using Natterhub to continue to learn how to use the internet safely and what to watch out for to keep themselves and others safe online.

Please ensure your child brings their reading book and reading diary every day. If you have any concerns or queries please do not hesitate to call in and see me at the end of the school day.

Kind regards,

Mr Nevet, Mrs Young and Mrs Mattock



Design and Technology

For D&T we will be investigating structures and mechanisms. The children will investigate existing crossbar and cross brace structures looking at their purpose, properties, material and construction, before moving on to their own. We will use the outdoor space for this so please keep an eye on the app for more details.

Homework

Spellings will continue to be given out on Monday and assessed the following Monday. Learning the spellings and spelling rules has a big impact on the quality of writing moving forward and while we do practice in school, the extra time spent learning spellings at home does really help. The class reading book this term is 'The Abominables' by Eva Ibbotson. The children have enjoyed reading the books we have sent home so far and accessing quality texts such as these for readers of any level really helps them with their own reading and comprehension skills. Please look at the homework books to make sure the children are up to the correct point in the book for each week's guided reading session.