

Life in All its Fullness - Come and See



Year 3

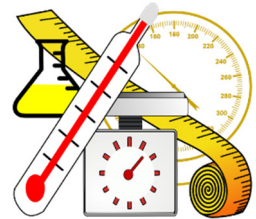
Summer 2021 Newsletter



Welcome back to the Summer Term. Firstly, a huge belated thank you for all our wonderful gifts at the end of the Autumn term. The Spring Term was not what we wanted but again a huge thank you for all your wonderful input supporting the home learning. We hope you have all had a lovely well-deserved and restful Easter break. We are all really excited to be back and are looking forward to lots of fun and learning in (fingers crossed) the sunshine. Outlined below are the topics, which will be covered over the next term with Year 3.

Maths

In Maths, we will continue to use the Herts for Learning materials along with other resources to support our teaching of the Primary Curriculum. During this term, we will be focusing on developing a secure understanding of multiplication and division using the formal written method, telling the time, introducing decimals and shape as well as continuing to revise and secure previously taught concepts.

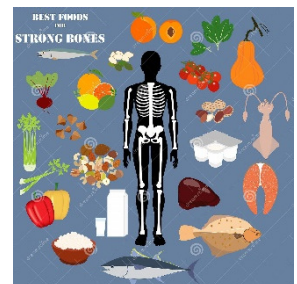


English

To start our term, we are looking at non-chorological reports on pirates and persuasive writing. After this we are embarking on a whole school writing project to allow collaborative thinking and promote the sense of community. We will also be looking at free verse poetry and fables later in the term. In addition, we will be carrying out daily Guided Reading sessions (these may be whole class or smaller groups) and a number of dedicated spelling sessions each week.

Science

We are going to be finding out the importance of the right type and amount of nutrition as well as the functions of skeletons and muscles. After half term we are going to move onto our plant unit, learning the names of different parts of plants, and the jobs they do. The children will work scientifically and collaboratively to investigate what plants need to grow well, and will present their findings.



History

Our topic for the whole term will be Ancient Greeks. This History topic will explore who the Ancient Greek people were, when they lived and where and how they were able to establish their empire. We will learn how the political system worked in Ancient Greece, investigate the legacy of Athenian Democracy and compare it with the political systems we have today. We will also compare and contrast the modern day Olympics with the Ancient Greek events and learn about Ancient Greek religion including a variety of Greek gods. Finally, we will use historical evidence to find out about the Trojan War and use the information to write and re-enact scenes from it.

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RE

In the first half term we will be focusing on Christian beliefs and thinking about the kind of world that Jesus wanted. During the second half term we are going to be looking at Judaism, especially how festivals and family life shows what matters to Jewish people.



Art and DT

In ART lessons we will be studying Ancient Greek pottery and designs. During the second half of the term, we will explore 2D Shape to 3D Product in Design and Technology.

PE

The children will continue to have PE on Tuesday and Wednesday every week. Please ensure that children come to school in their PE kits on those days. This half term we are focusing on striking and fielding skills in rounders as well as invasion skills in netball. The lessons will continue to be outside so please make sure that clothing is appropriate for all weathers.



Computing

Over the coming term we are going to be looking at databases and simulations. During the second half term we will look at email and touch typing as these were missed in the Spring term.

Music

Using our excellent new music scheme, Charanga, the children will learn to play a tune on the Glockenspiels.



PHSE

Lessons will follow the JIGSAW scheme of work. This term we look at relationships and changing me.

Further information

Please continue to **read daily** and practice **times tables** with your child at home. This is essential to support their learning and progress in school. Additional tasks will continue to be set via **Microsoft Teams** on a weekly basis. These will often be a maths and spelling activity but may also include other subject areas. Please provide your child with a daily healthy snack for break time and please ensure your child has a **named water bottle** in school each day. As the weather is getting warmer, you may also wish to consider a **sun hat**.

We are really looking forward to a fabulous term, with lots of new learning and experiences for the children, celebrating life in all its fullness.

Miss Harris and Mrs Lane

