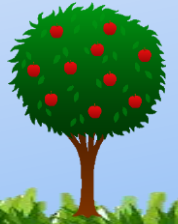


# Life in All its Fullness – Come and See



## Year 3

# Summer 2022 Newsletter



Welcome back to the Summer Term. We hope you have all had a lovely well-deserved and restful Easter break and very much look forward to working with your children during the Summer Term. Outlined below are the topics, which will be covered over the coming term. Year 3 will continue to be ably supported by Mrs Jane Monday to Thursday and Mrs Daniell on a Friday.

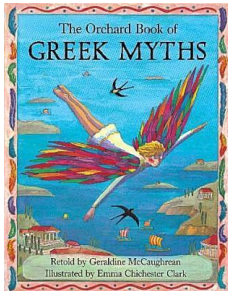
### Maths

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 ordering and comparing fractions as well as adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominators. We will also be revisiting multiplication and division before building on our prior knowledge and learning the formal written methods. We will then be moving onto time, focussing on hours, minutes, seconds, days, weeks, months, years. Followed by telling the time (analogue and digital), as well as estimation and duration. In addition to this we will be securing all four operations, start to introduce decimals and 3D shapes.



### English

To start our term, we will be immersing ourselves in some Greek Myths including Daedalus and Icarus. This links nicely to our topic this half term of Ancient Greece. We will have the opportunity to practise grammar taught so far this year including prepositions and direct speech. We will continue to use powerful verbs and adjectives to really develop and expand our writing skills. Towards the end of the first term and into the second we will be using the Herts Planning to explore free verse poetry and non – chronological reports. In addition, we will be carrying out regular **Guided Reading** sessions (these may be whole class or smaller groups) we will continue to use our VIPER approach to help build the children's comprehension skills. There will also be a number of dedicated spelling sessions each week as well as regular sessions will also continue to develop children's **handwriting** skills.



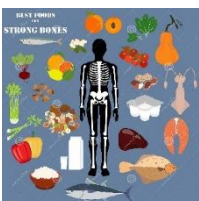
### History / Geography

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. In the second half term will be moving on the geography part of our learning. We will be locating some of Europe's countries and capitals. Then we will move onto comparing an area of Greece to our local area.



### 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.



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## RE

In RE, we will continue to follow our new scheme called The Emmanuel Project. This term the children will begin by focusing on the religions of Christianity and Judaism. We will base our learning on the following questions:

What do Christians mean when they talk about the Kingdom of God?

What symbols and stories help Jewish people remember their covenant with God?



## PE

The children will have swimming lessons on a Monday for the remainder of the term. Please send children to school in their PE kits along with their swimming kit in a separate bag – they will need swimsuit or trunks, swimming hat for those with long hair, a towel and goggles. Our other PE day will continue to be a Thursday. We will be focusing on Athletics for the rest of this half term. In the second half term, the children will be focusing on a range of gymnastic skills.



## Art and DT

In ART lessons we will be studying Ancient Greek pottery and designs. In the second half term, we will move onto DT and will be focusing on a 'Healthy and Varied Diet'.



## Computing

Over the coming term we are going to be looking at branching databases and graphing. In the second half term we will be looking into simulations. For most of our learning we will be continuing to use Purple Mash.



## Music

Using our excellent new music scheme, Charanga, the children will follow the units called 'Bringing Us Together' and 'Reflect, Rewind and Replay'.



## RHE (Relationship and Health Education)

RHE lessons will follow our JIGSAW scheme of work. This term the children will be following the units '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 - handed out on a **Friday** and returned the following **Wednesday**. 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**. Please can all clothing be clearly named as well.

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'.

Mrs Loft, Mrs Lane and Mrs Daniell