Year 3 – Summer 1



Literacy

This half term the children will looking at traditional and local myths and legends. They will hear a range of famous myths and legends to learn about the style of the genre. Linking with our history topic of Monarchy, the children will learn about the legend of King Arthur, and they will learn all about the local tale of The Lambton Worm. They will research the origins of the tales, and pick out aspects of it to create their own exciting myths and legends. Children will have the chance to practise their drama skills too, as they will practise and perform the legends!



Science

Children will be looking at the topic of plants and growing this half term. They will study the parts of flowering plants and their functions, the conditions affecting plant growth and plants as living things. They will carry out investigations to see how water is transported in plants, and make their own predictions. Hopefully we will have a chance to spend some time in the school garden!



PE

This half term in our games unit we will be looking at tennis and the skills needed.
In dance, we will be looking at witches and wizards as our topic! We will learn how to add drama and character to our dances.

PSHE

Children will follow the weekly statements to live by. We follow TenTen for PSHE and will focus on safe in my body, drugs, alcohol and tobacco, first aid heroes and rights and responsibilities.

History

This half term our history topic is all about the Ancient Egyptians! We will understand chronologically where they fit compared with our other units of work. We will learn about their beliefs with Gods and Goddesses, why the River Nile and Pharaohs were so important and what their major achievements were.



Computing

This half term we'll be looking at digital imagery: patterns in nature. We will look at the beauty of repeating patterns in nature and different methods of recreating these with digital art tools and photo editing.



French

This term, children will be looking at French transport! They will recognise transport words in written form, join in songs, form simple statements and create a range of phrases. They will write a simple sentence and try and speak words with accurate pronunciation.

At Home

It is really important for children to continue to read a variety of texts, regularly at home to help improve fluency and comprehension of texts. It is also incredibly important to practise times tables regularly! There are many times table games on Top Marks and different songs on YouTube.

Numeracy

This half term we will start our unit on fractions. We will look at fractions on a number line, fractions of shapes and fractions of amounts. We will learn about equivalent fractions and begin recognising equivalent fractions using shapes and fraction walls.

We will end the half term looking at statistics, interpreting and presenting data from tally charts, pictograms and bar charts.

We will be continuing to focus on our 3, 4, 6 and 8 times tables and using inverse operations to understand the associated division facts. We will be doing maths meetings 3 times per week.

RE

To the ends of the Earth, We begin this unit of work by looking at Emmaus. Moving onto the community of prayer and believers, sharing the Gosepl and Mary's place in the Catholicchurch. We end the unit looking at The Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity and the Sign of the Cross.

Art, Design and Technology

In art, we will be looking at craft and design: Ancient Egyptian scrolls. We will look at hieroglyphics and different Ancient Egyptian artwork. We will create our own paper in the style of papyrus and then create our artwork on it when it dries.

Music

Our theme this half term is Bringing Us Together, a song about friendship, peace, hope and unity. We will also listen to the Lambton Worm song, linking in with our English work.