Year 3 — Spring 2

Literacy

Children will look at different examples of adventure and mystery stories this half term, to learn the important features to include in their writing.
We will read The Boy Who Grew Dragons as our class movel.
We will be using Leon and the Place Between as inspiration to recreate their own adventure stories! Children will discuss characters' feelings and behavior and really let our imaginations thrive. We will explore the five part story structure and plan and write a longer story with logical sequence of events, conflict and resolution.



Numeracy

This half term we will finish our work on multiplication and division but maintain our focus on our 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

We will begin our work on measurement and start learning about length using metres, centimetres and millimetres before looking at perimeter.

We do 2 maths meetings and a retrieval task weekly to reinforce mathematical concepts and language and a weekly journal task to access carefully chosen reasoning and problem solving questions.

Geography

Our geography theme this half term is Water and the Water Cycle. We will learn to use key vocabulary such as evaporation, condensation and precipitation, before using atlas skills to look at different countries with a lack of water. We'll then be learning about some problems associated with water and finally looking at what we can do to try and solve these problems.



Science

The children will identify light sources & discuss the sun. They will also establish that light is reflected off things that we see & that darkness is an absence of light. We will investigate at the transparency of various materials and the shadows they form. Their science work will link well for our art topic!



RE

Desert to Garden. We begin this unit looking at mass and the story of The Last Supper. We move on to looking in depth at the eucharistic prayer and other prayers, signs and actions we come across. We begin looking at Holy Communion and end the unit looking at Holy week.

Computing

We will look at Databases this half term. We will explore different ways to collect, interrogate and present data collaboratively using a range of programs. What is a database? Why and how are they used in real life?



PE

In our P.E. this half term we'll be looking at the skills needed for two different games— cricket and football! We will learn about the concepts of batting and fielding and think about dribbling the ball and attacking.

French

We will be looking at vocabulary in a French classroom. The children will be able to identify masculine and feminine nouns when written down, use language detective skills to deduce the meaning of new words and attempt to build their own sentences.

Art, Design and Technology

In our design and technology unit, we'll be looking at 3D structures and how construct a castle. We will design our own castle for a given purpose and assemble it using different 3D shapes.

PSHE

Children will follow the weekly statements to live by. We follow TenTen for PSHE and will focus on family, friends and others, when things feel bad and sharing and chatting online.

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.

Music

The children will be continuing their curriculum using Charanga and looking at 'the Dragon Song'.