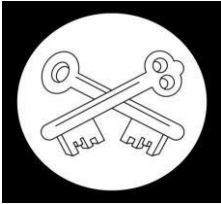




Half Termly Curriculum Overview

Year 3 - Spring 2

English	Maths
In English, we are studying the book 'The Boy with the Bronze Axe' by Kathleen Fidler which links to our History unit. We will be writing to entertain by producing a diary entry based on the story as well as writing to inform by creating an explanation text on how Stonehenge was constructed.	In Maths, we will be learning about statistics, length, perimeter and fractions. We will also continue to be practising our times tables and in arithmetic, revise the formal operations for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division which we have learned.
Science	History
In Science, our unit this half term is on rocks, soils and fossils. We will also be learning all about Mary Anning - the great fossil hunter! During this time we will be comparing and grouping together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. We will also describe how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock.	In History, we are learning all about the Stone Age to the Iron Age. During this unit, we will be answering our enquiry question: What was life like in prehistoric times? As part of this we will be considering how life changed from the Stone Age, to the Bronze Age, and then to the Iron Age. We will be exploring artefacts to help us understand what life was like. We will also be visiting Creswell Crags to support our learning of this topic.
Art & Design	PSHE
This half term, we will be taking inspiration from Picasso. During the unit we will learn about Pablo Picasso and in particular his cubist portraits and sculptures. We will work towards creating a mask sculpture inspired by Picasso's cubist techniques.	In PSHE this half term we will be looking at why we have rules; what human rights are; how to keep safe on the internet as well as looking at stereotypes. We will also have a day celebrating International Women's Day in school on Monday 10 th March.
PE	Computing
In PE, we will be participating in tag rugby with Mr Jalland, and we will also be learning how to play Netball.	In Computing we will be looking at event handling and repeat loops. This will involve creating a playable game in 'Scratch.'



RE	Spanish
In RE, our unit this half term will be exploring the question, “Why does Easter matter to Christians?” by looking at the stories of Holy Week and Easter.	In Spanish, we will be using The Very Hungry Caterpillar’ as a stimulus to help us learn food and drink terms in Spanish.

Music
In Music, we will be learning to write, play and compose rhythms using body percussion and school percussion instruments. Later in the half term, we will be learning the notes on the stave and composing our own melodies.

How you can help at home
You can continue to support at home by supporting your child to read four times a week and recording this in reading diary. Diaries will be checked in school on Fridays. In addition to this, times tables fluency is essential for children to learn. Please can you encourage your child to use TT Rockstars on a regular basis to support their speedy recall of tables facts. Every child also has a MyMaths login where there will be activities set each week.