



Half Termly Curriculum Overview

Year 3 - Summer 1

English	Maths
In Writing, we are studying 'The Lost Words' poetry collection by Robert Macfarlane and Jackie Morris. We are also studying 'The Creakers' by Tom Fletcher. We will be producing some fiction writing creating tension.	In Maths, we will be learning about fractions (making a whole, counting in tenths, representing fractions on a number line, finding fractions of amounts, comparing equivalent fractions as well as comparing, ordering and adding/subtracting fractions) and time (telling the time, looking at years and months, hours in a day and finding and comparing durations).
Science	Geography
In Science, our unit this half term is on animals, including humans. We will be looking at skeletons and how living things move and grow.	In Geography, we are learning all about Rivers. We will be understanding the journey of a river from the source to the mouth and discussing the pros and cons of living near to a river.
Design Technology	Music
This half term, we will be creating moving monsters with pneumatic movements. We will explore air power using balloons and syringe systems to power our models.	In Music this half term we will be exploring the sounds of different instruments that represent a variety of animals in 'Carnival of the Animals' by Saint-Saens.
PE	Computing
In PE, we will be participating in both tennis lessons and outdoor adventure activities (working as a team to solve problems). These lessons will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays.	In Computing we will be creating digital art inspired by Soheila Sokhanvari. We will be merging photographs and backgrounds to create a piece of art.
RE	Spanish
In RE, our unit this half term is looking at the concept of prayer. We will be paying attention to some of the similarities and differences between Christian prayer and Islamic prayer.	In Spanish, children will be learning words to describe different parts of their body. We will go on to design monsters and label them in Spanish.



PSHE

In PSHE this half term, we will be exploring the theme of 'growing and changing.' This will involve looking at the differences between male and female; the importance of personal space and family differences.

How you can help at home

You can support at home by listening to your child to read four times a week and recording this in their 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 times tables facts. Login details can be found in reading diaries.

Please communicate with class teachers via the Seesaw app. We will add photos, reminders and brief communications from time to time.

Home learning menus are optional activities that are linked to our topics being studied in school. These will be shared on Seesaw and copies will also be sent home. Any activities that your children complete can be brought into school to share with the teachers and their peers.