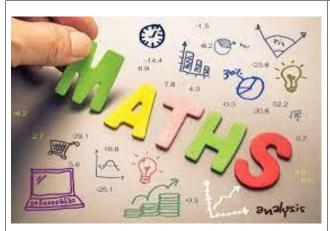
Welcome to Year 3!

Teaching in Year 3, we have Mrs Dilworth and Mrs Leighton who are our class teachers and Mrs Carroll who will be supporting both year groups Wednesdays - Fridays.



In Maths, this half term, we'll be covering:

Addition and Subtraction

During this topic we will be:

Adding and subtracting 1s and 100s. We will also be spotting number patterns, adding and subtracting 2 digit and 3 digit numbers with and without exchanging. In addition to this, we will be estimating answers, finding complements to 100 and investigating inverse operations.

Along side this, we will be practising our 2s, 5s and 10 time tables and mental addition.

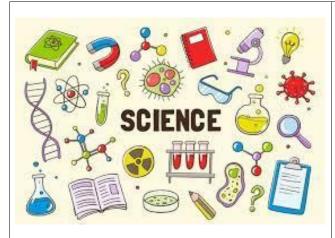


This half term in English, we'll be writing our own poetry based upon the poem 'When I blew the magic.' We will be learning the skills used in each stanza such as alliteration, personification and similes.

We will also be writing a piece of non fiction based on our class novel, Matilda. We will be writing a letter of persuasion from Miss Honey to Matilda's parents.

The spelling rules we will be focusing on this half term are:

- 1. Challenge words
- 2. Spelling Rules: Words with the prefix 're-' 're-' means 'again' or 'back.'
- 3. Spelling Rules: The prefix 'dis-' which has a negative meaning. It often means 'does not' as in does not agree = disagree.
- 4. Spelling Rules: The prefix 'mis-' This is another prefix with negative meanings.
- 5. Spelling Rules: Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable. The consonant letter is not doubled if the syllable is unstressed.



This half term, in Science we'll be exploring the topic light.

Throughout this topic, we will be exploring the following questions:

- What is light?
- What is darkness?
- How might natural light sources be dangerous?
- How is light reflected from a surface?
- Why are shadows formed?
- How can the size of a shadow changed?



This half term, we are studying Geography. In Geography, we will be learning all about the UK.

The key questions we will be learning about are:

- Where is the UK? What are the cities of the UK?
- What are the 3 different types of settlements? What is a county?
- What are the rivers of the UK and where do they lead?
- How have trade links changed in the midlands over time?
- What are mountains and how are they formed?



This term in Music, we will create original compositions inspired by Winter from Antonio Vivaldi. Vivaldi was a virtuoso violinist and so it's no wonder that the violin is the star of The Four Seasons.

Each of the four concertos gives the violin a chance to conjure up sounds and pictures from each period of the year, from barking dogs and mosquitos, to summer storms and birds happily singing the arrival of Spring.

We will use Garage band to compose our own Christmas composition. In the first movement of 'Winter' Vivaldi brilliantly conveys the biting cold, gusting wind, trembling bodies, and chattering teeth on his beloved violin.

True inspiration for a master piece with a modern twist.



In Art and Design, Year 3 have created some fantastic drawings inspired by Stone Age art. This term they will be continuing their learning in drawing by exploring how artists use sketchbooks. They will then use a range of techniques to create their own interesting and unique pages in their own sketchbook.

We will also be completing our textiles unit for DT. We will be designing, planning and making a Christmas decoration. To create this, we will be using running stitch and blanket stitch to join our fabric together.



This half term in French, children will be continuing to learn how to present themselves. We will continue to revise how to say our name, our age and how we are feeling, and will also learn the new vocabulary of how to say where we live and to give an opinion about whether we like something or not.



In R.E we are focusing on Sikhism. The key question we will be looking at across Autumn 2 is 'Does joining the Khalsa make a person a better Sikh?'

Also this half term we will be focusing on Christianity and the theme 'Christmas'. The key question is 'has Christmas lost its true meaning?'



In PSHE we will be covering family and relationships. We will also be covering health and well-being this half term.

During this time, we will be covering the following learning outcomes:

- Friendships sometimes have difficulties, and how to manage this.
- How to recognise if a friendship is making them happy or unhappy.
- Recognising how hazards can cause harm or injury and what you should do to reduce risk.
- Understanding everyday health and hygiene rules and routines to keep safe.



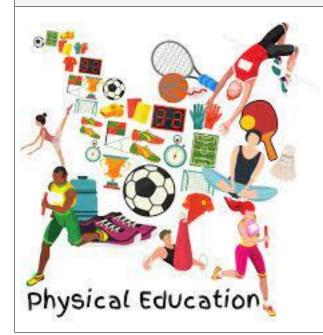
In computing, our topic this term is:

Developing Video

During this time, we will be developing our understanding of iMovie and Clips to further understand how the two applications can be used to create engaging content.

Events and actions in programs

We will also write algorithms and programs that use a range of events to trigger sequences of action.



In PE, our focus will be on gymnastics.

We will be focusing on the following skills:

- Flexibility
- Strength
- Technique
- Control and balance
- Performing movement

The children will perform recognisable movements, such as a forward roll, showing correct technique.

Also, they will be learning control and coordination when making simple static shapes. Alongside this, the children will learn the correct terminology for different gymnastic movements.