

Class 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 1 2024

Geography

This half term we will be learning about The Rhine and The Mediterranean. We will learn about the river Rhine and through which countries it travels. We will then look at how it has changed. We will then end our topic with a focus on the Mediterranean.

English

This half term we will be reading 'The Girl who stole an elephant' by Nizrana Farook'. The key themes are friendship and loyalty, class and injustice. Whilst reading we will learn to:

identify the author's use of descriptive language to create vivid images of the jungle. As well as analyse central metaphors in literature.



Following on from this text we will be reading Leila and the Blue Fox by Kiran Millwood Hargrave. This book explores themes of migration, climate change and family relationships through the eyes of the two main characters, Leila and Miso. Children will be writing, Poetry, informal messages, formal letters, short info texts, diary entries, narrative/action scenes and tweets.



Alongside this throughout the term children will be reading 'Holes' by Louis Sachar.

RE

Please see RE coverage letter for details on this term's RE topics.

Science

Our topic for this half term is Animals including Humans. We will be learning about the circulatory system, understanding how blood gets around the body and what is in our blood. We will then move on to learning how we get water and nutrients and how we can keep our hearts healthy.

History

Over the course of the next 8 weeks we will be learning about The Roman Republic, we will be finding out about the beginnings of the city of Rome and its first king Romulus and those who followed his rule including how Rome came to be a republic.

PE

This half term we will be focussing on our muscle development, flexibility and mental well-being.

Computing

This half term, we will learn how data is transferred over the internet. Focussing on addressing and structure of data packets; online communication and collaboration. This includes learning how to communicate responsibly.

MjL

This half term we will be learning how to answer the register and how to ask questions. We will then move onto saying how I and someone else is feeling and saying what we and other people are like.

Maths

This half term we will begin with place value where we will be learning to recognise the value of each digit in a number (including decimals), partitioning, representing numbers, rounding numbers as well as counting with negative numbers. We will then move on to the four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be focusing on mental strategies, inverse operations, the written formal method for addition and subtraction. We will end this half term learning about square and cube numbers; prime numbers, multiple and factors.

Art

We will be exploring the idea that drawing as a 2 dimensional activity can be used to transform surfaces which can then be manipulated into a 3 dimensional object. Along the way, children explore how mark making, line, tonal value, colour, shape, and composition can be used to inform the final piece.

Music

Music and songs are often created and composed using a DAW (Digital Audio Workstation). We will be learning about the difference between the live sounds and digital sounds. We will learn skills in music production that will inspire our creativity.

Relationship and Health Education

We will be learning that we are all created and loved by God, we will be exploring our individuality which helps us to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing ourselves as the basis for personal relationships.