

Year 3 Learning Journey

Autumn 2



English

We are starting off this half term looking at the wonderful book 'Charlotte's Web' by E.B.White. We will enjoy the text whilst learning about how to write in paragraphs with various grammatical features.

As we approach Christmas we will enjoy 'Twas the night before Christmas' by Clement C. Moore. We will appreciate this seasonal poem and consider its structure.

History / Geography

In History our topic is 'Cradles of Civilisation' We will be looking at Ancient Mesopotamia. We will study rivers, settlements and art. We will explore where ancient civilisations were in the world and their geographical similarities.

In Geography, our topic is 'Mountains' Our topic will explore each of the highest mountains in each country of the UK. We will look at mountain ranges and mountainous regions and why people live on mountains. We will look at the relationships between mountains and weather and mountains and people.

Science

In Science, we will begin by looking at rocks. We will look at the appearance of rocks and explain simple physical properties. We will explore how sedimentary rocks are formed through formation of layers and also understand that heat and pressure are used to form other types of rocks.

Parents as Partners

Please read everyday with your child. Support with learning Times-Tables is hugely beneficial. Thank you for your support!

Art and Design / Design Technology

Our topic is painting. We will be exploring tints and tones, paint thickness and brush strokes. We will be creating different effects and learning about the work of some abstract artists, such as Sean Scully.

Religious Education

As we discuss promises we will look at Baptism. We will explore how our lives are marked by many different experiences of being welcomed into new situations and groups. We will then look at Advent as a time of special preparation for Jesus' coming at Christmas.

'Learning together in faith and love, we shine as children of God'

Computing

Our topic is creating media. We will use a range of techniques to create a stop-frame animation using tablets. We will apply those skills to create a story-based animation. Then we will add other types of media to our animation, such as music and text.

Modern Foreign Languages

This half term we will be looking at saying what I and others have. We will be learning new phonics knowledge, vocabulary and grammar.

Physical Education

Our topic this half term is gymnastics. We will develop balancing, rolling and jumping, individually and in combination. We will develop sequence work, collaborating with others to use matching and contrasting actions and shapes and develop linking sequences smoothly with actions that flow. We will develop confidence to perform, considering the quality and control of our actions.

Mathematics

We will focus on Multiplication and Division. We will learn about written multiplication and division including using arrays, sharing and grouping. We will be using our knowledge of the 3, 4 and 8 times tables to solve calculations as well as our times tables learned in KS1.

Times Table practice will be a daily event to build our confidence with the 2, 5, 10, 3, 6 and 8 times tables.

Music

This half term we will appreciate how we can make music ourselves. We will learn about musical notes and using a glockenspiel to create simple pieces of music. We will also enjoy singing as part of a group as we prepare for our Christmas Nativity.