

Year 3, Autumn Term 2018

Welcome to Year 3

Religious Education

Our R.E. work this term starts with a topic called **Beginning with God**, where we will be finding out where and how God is revealed to us. We will move on to Moses and the Burning Bush.

English

Through our writing, linked to our topics, we will work on securing the use of capital letters and full stops, using more interesting conjunctions, adjectives and adverbial phrases. We are looking at descriptive language and narrative through our class books 'The Wombles' and adventure stories about islands. Please continue to **read to and with your child** as often as possible.

Mathematics

Using programme, **Maths No Problem**, we will be consolidating the children's understanding of place value of numbers up to 1000, moving on to addition and subtraction. Every child will continue to be tested regularly on their **Maths Passport** and homework will be set on MyMaths.

Science

During the first half of term we will explore **Forces and Magnets**, through practical investigations, linking to our PE topic of Dance. After half term, we will learn about **Rocks and Soils**, linking with our history work on Ancient Civilisations.

History and Geography

Our first topic is **Maps and Islands**. We will learn how to map our school and our local area and find out about the British Isles. We will also investigate the effects of climate change on islands around the world and (together with the Wombles!) consider people's impact on the planet by learning about recycling. After half term we will learn about **Ancient Civilisations** in Britain, starting with the Stone Age. We will see how life changed as our ancestors learned to manipulate their environment and create our own 'artefacts' inspired by the Bronze Age and Iron Age.

Computing

As well as continuing to learn about how to use the internet safely, the children will learn to design and write programs that accomplish specific goals - coding.

Music

We will continue to work on basic music notation and begin to learn the recorder. We have an exciting opportunity to visit the Royal Albert Hall for the *Primary Prom* concert in October. Later in the term, we will be learning songs for our Christmas play.

Physical Education

Every Friday the children will have their PE lesson with Kick London. This term they will be learning football skills. In dance and gymnastics there will be links made with Science to explore forces and magnetism, remembering and connecting movements into set sequences. We will also learn group dances for our Christmas nativity play. **PE kit is needed on Wednesday and the children will come to school on Friday wearing their PE kit.**

Italian

In Italian the children learn to make simple statements and to ask and answer questions about themselves. They will also learn the numbers to 20.

Trips

Outings so far include a visit to South Street to map the area and a trip to the Royal Albert Hall for the Primary Prom (10th October). Years 3 and 4 are booked to attend a professional Christmas pantomime production.

Christmas Production

As in previous years, priority for speaking parts in the Year 3 and 4 Christmas production goes to children in Year 4.

Parent Helpers

If you are available to help with a specific trip, or could help listen to readers in class, please speak to us!