

Welcome to Year 3

Autumn Term (2)

Maths

In Maths, we will continue working on addition and subtraction using the columnar method. Following this, we will move to multiplication and division, starting with a recap of the 2-, 5- and 10-times tables before moving on to the 3-, 4- and 8- times tables.

It is important that your child regularly practices times tables, in which they can use times table rock stars, in preparation for the weekly arithmetic tests.

Geography

Our topic for Geography this half term is 'Volcanoes'. Our sequence of learning will focus on how the earth is constructed, where mountains are found, earthquakes, why and where we get volcanoes, in addition to the looking at the effects of volcanic eruptions.



Class Teacher

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English

In English, we are going to be looking at explanation texts, building up to writing our own explanation on volcanic eruptions, linked to our Geography topic.

Poetry will be a focus in this autumn term, recognising the features of calligram and concrete style poetry to be able to produce a piece of poetry ourselves.

Following this, we will be looking at adventure narrative.

Every morning, we take on our vocabulary ninja challenge to help expand our vocabulary and develop our English skills.

French

In French, this half term we will be looking at adjectives of colour, size and shape. We will be creating an original piece of artwork in the style of *Matisse*, following instructions in French.

Art

We will be looking at different drawing techniques and how artists use shape, shading and texture in their work. We will create botanical artwork using observational drawing, in addition to abstract flowers.

Science

This half term we will be looking at electricity and circuits. We will start by looking at how electrical appliances are powered, followed by constructing our own electrical circuits.

In addition to this, we will investigate whether different materials are conductors or insulators.

R.E

This half term, we will be looking at why Jesus is inspiring to some people today. Following this, we will be looking more closely at the Gospels of Matthew and Luke, and their accounts of Jesus' birth.

Homework

Homework is set every Friday; it consists of three different tasks and is to be completed and returned by the following Wednesday.

In class 3, homework serves two main functions: Firstly, it helps to inform teaching staff whether your child understands the week's learning. Secondly, it helps to prepare your child for the termly progress assessments. It is, therefore, important for all children to attempt homework.