



Pinehurst Primary School

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 2 2025



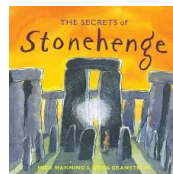
The information on this sheet will give you a brief overview of some of the activities we will be doing this half-term across the curriculum. Please feel free to contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions, or can offer any support.

English

'The Giant's Necklace' by Michael Morpurgo

In English we are reading *The Giant's Necklace*, written by Michael Morpurgo. Our non-fiction text will be *Secrets of Stonehenge*, which links to our History topic.

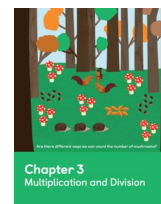
There will be lots of different writing opportunities including an adventure narrative, information texts and diary entries. We also have a daily shared reading or Phonics session, during which we will look at a different extract each week (fiction, non-fiction or poetry) and develop our reading skills.



Maths

Addition and Subtraction & Multiplication and Division

This half term in **Maths No Problem!** we will be focusing on **Addition and Subtraction**. We will move on to **Multiplication and Division** before the end of this half term. This will include work on our 3, 4 and 8 times tables. We will also practice solving word problems related to multiplication and division. We have a 'Maths Basic Skills' session every day which will include skills linked to our lessons, as well as arithmetic and times tables practice.



Computing

Being Internet Legends

Children will describe what a good 'digital citizen' looks like. They will be able to identify whether information online is reliable and be able to identify what types of personal information should never be shared online. Children will also be supported to recognise potential scams online.



P.E.

Gymnastics

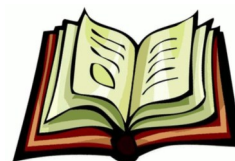
During our P.E lessons we will focus on **gymnastics**. We will continue to look at the importance of leading a healthy and active lifestyle. We will also be exploring **invasion games**. PE will take place every **Friday** afternoon.



R.E.

Why is the Bible important for Christians today?

This unit is part of the **Believing** strand of our agreed Liverpool RE syllabus. The children will look at the sacred texts linked to different religions. Stories and parables from these texts will be shared with the children.



P.S.H.E.

Celebrating Differences



In this **Puzzle (unit)** the class learn about families, that they are all different and that sometimes they fall out with each other. The children talk about techniques to calm themselves down and discuss a technique called 'solve it together.' The children revisit the topic of bullying and talk about being a witness (bystander), they talk about how a witness has choices and how these choices can affect the bullying that is taking place. The children also talk about using problem-solving techniques in bullying situations. They talk about name-calling and choosing not to use hurtful words. They also talk about giving and receiving compliments and the feelings associated with this.

Visits and Visitors (Building our Cultural Capital) – We will have a visit from a drama group (Real History Alive) linked to our History unit.

Additional Information

Home Reading Books can be brought in on any day and will be changed when they have been read at least **three** times. Children will need to put their book bags in the Book Bag Basket in class, with a signature from an adult at home in their Home Reading Book.

Please support and encourage children with their reading. This should be a minimum of 15 minutes of reading per night.

Cedar and Hazel Class have P.E on a **Friday** afternoon. Homework will be sent home weekly. This may be set via Class Dojo, or may be a paper exercise. Homework may also be via Spelling Shed or Times Tables Rock Stars.

As a Designer...

As a Designer, we will be learning about: **3D Packaging.**



We will be looking at packaging. We will start this unit by following the design process (design, make and evaluate) to make a packaging box with a shell structure to prevent broken biscuits. We will investigate packing, why it is used and learn how to use nets to construct 3D shapes. We will also explore different fonts to use on packaging.

As a Linguist...

As a Linguist, we will be learning about:

School Life.

We will also be learning; colours, numbers, family members and a variety of animals.

Hola!



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We foster a love of learning
through our school motto of
'Experience, Excel, Enjoy'.

As a Historian...



As a Historian, we will be learning about:

Life in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We will place the pre-history events into chronological order, we will then move on to finding out about the different stages of the Stone Age and how early humans survived. We will study Skara Brae and Stonehenge.

As a Scientist...



As a Scientist, we will be learning about:

Rocks and Soils.

We will begin this exciting topic by creating dirt puddings to replicate the layers of the earth. We will be sorting rocks by characteristics and type. We will investigate rocks for durability, density and permeability. After this we will move on to separating soils and looking at different soils before finally finding out about fossils.