

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 3 pupils,

This letter will highlight the main aspects of the topics your child will be covering this summer term.

RE

During autumn term, we will be looking at Creation and Covenant. How God created the world and all creatures and understand scripture relating to God creating us in His image.

Scripture: John 13: 34 'And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

English

In English this term, we will be completing a whole school unit on the book Africa Amazing Africa. Followed by Mini Rabbit Not Lost as persuasive writing, and for our poetry unit Words Are Ours' by Michael Rosen & 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright.

Maths In Maths this term we will be learning a range of different skills:

Place Value and Regrouping

Counting On and Back in Ones, Tens and Hundreds

Estimation, Magnitude and Rounding

Measures – Comparison, Estimation and Magnitude

Mental Fluency – Addition

Mental Fluency – Subtraction

Fact Families and Applying the Inverse

Written Addition

Written Subtraction

Problem Solving – Worded Problems

Statistics – Interpreting Bar Charts and Tables

Angles, Right Angles and Estimation

Perpendicular and Parallel Lines, Vertical and Horizontal Lines

2-D Shape – Properties and Drawing

Perimeter Including Problem Solving Using Written and Mental Methods

Science

The first topic we are learning is called **Movement and nutrition**. Exploring the role of skeletons and muscles, learning how the body uses energy and what constitutes a balanced diet. The second unit will be **Forces and magnets**. Exploring contact and non-contact forces, including friction and magnetism and their effects.

Computing

This term we will be exploring **Online Safety**. This unit covers the importance of passwords, and what is safe to share online. Children will also be taught they should report any concerns to a trusted adult.

History

For history this term we are learning about **Would you prefer to have lived in the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age?** Our focus is on understanding that prehistory was a long time ago and to identify conclusions that are certainties and possibilities based on archaeological evidence.

Geography

For Geography this term, the topic will be **Why do people live near volcanos?**

PSHE

This term the children will explore their own feelings and thoughts around the topic 'Being me in my world' and will aim to learn how to celebrate difference.

Art our topic is prehistoric art. Children will be experimenting with charcoal, berries, leaves, homemade paints and more.

Design and Technology Discovering when and where fruits and vegetables are grown. Learning about seasonality in the UK and the relationship between colour of the fruits and vegetables and their health benefits by making two dishes.

MUSIC

This is a six-week Unit of Work. All the learning in this unit is focused around one song: 'Let your Spirit Fly'

As well as learning to sing the song, the children will play, improvise and compose with the song.

PE

This year PE is on Monday and Thursday **Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit worn to school on the day of their lesson.**

FRENCH

This term children will learn how to greet somebody new and explain a little bit about themselves.

ROUTINES AND EXPECTATIONS

Spelling lists are given out on **Friday via the weekly homework letters.**

Reading is encouraged every night and it is very important to listen and ask your child questions about the text they are reading because this helps to develop their comprehension skills. If they need their book changed, encourage them to put it in our book-changing box in the morning. Reading records should be brought in every Monday and Friday.

It is also important for your child to learn their multiplications up to the 12 times tables. Please visit times tables rock stars frequently.

Homework for maths will be set on MyMaths.co.uk. This will be done every Friday and due the Friday after.

Weekly newsletters will be sent out via Marvellous Me every Friday. These newsletters will contain information on the current week, future events, reminders, homework and spellings.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me through
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Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Taleb