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Year 3 Curriculum
Autumn Term 2, 2022-2023

Friday 4th November 2022

Dear Parents,
I hope you had a restful half term with your children

Please find below an outline of work for the second half of the Autumn Term. This half term our topic is 'We are what we eat.'

Important Information

Please make sure your child has a water bottle - the water fountain has been converted so that children can refill their bottles and staying hydrated improves concentration in class.

Homework

All homework will continue to be issued on Friday, and handed in by the following Wednesday. The children will have a spelling test every Thursday. Please note that it is expected that children use a pencil to complete all of their homework. Pens, felt tip pens and coloured pencils are not the correct writing tools for children who are developing their cursive handwriting and using those items affect the presentation of their written work.

Mathletics, Times Tables Rock Stars and homework sheets will be used to supplement Numeracy learning in class. If your child is unable to access Mathletics and Times Tables Rock Stars at home, he/she can come into class at lunchtime to complete their assigned homework.

PE

PE Kits should be worn into school on Tuesdays and the children can wear them all day. PE kit consists of a plain white t shirt, plain navy shorts socks and plain trainers. In the colder months, navy tracksuits can be worn for outside activities (but please still remember to pack shorts just in case the lesson is held indoors.)

This term, Smokie will be coaching the children on **Tuesday**.
Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled.



RE

This term our focus is 'Mary, Mother of God' where children will learn about the Annunciation story, the Visitation story, the signs of Advent and preparing to celebrate the birth of Jesus.



English

English takes place in class every day. This includes spelling, punctuation, grammar, reading, writing and handwriting. In addition, I have started to teach discrete grammar lessons, they will take place once a week. Our class texts this term are 'Extra Yarn' by Mac Bennett and 'Captain Cat' by Inga Moore. We will be writing a myth, instructions for how to make a fresh fruit salad and a non-fiction writing piece (biography of Mary Anning). Staff will continue to listen to children read at least once a week. We encourage children to read aloud at least 20 minutes at home every night. Please discuss the text with your child, as this will help with their understanding. Both you and your child can write comments in the reading record. Children are also encouraged to look up words in a dictionary to find the meanings of new words and record them in their own dictionary. This will help increase their range of vocabulary in their written work. Please ensure that your child brings their reading book and record to school every day.



Maths

- Number - addition and subtraction

We will continue to work on Addition and Subtraction using a variety of written methods and jottings to solve our calculations. Mental Maths takes place every Monday afternoon.

- Number - multiplication and division

We will begin to solve word problems using the RUCSAC method: 'Read', 'Understand', 'Choose', 'Solve', 'Answer' and 'Check',

Multiplication - equal groups

Use arrays

Multiples of 2

Multiples of 5 and 10

Sharing and grouping

Multiply by 3

Divide by 3

The 3 times table

Multiply by 4

Divide by 4

The 4 times table

Multiply by 8

Divide by 8

The 8 times table

The 2, 4- and 8-times table

Please help and encourage your child to learn their times tables, related division facts and to tell the time on a regular basis. This will be really beneficial to their numeracy skills and help them to grow in confidence in maths and tackle 'real life' maths words problems.

Computing

This term our focus will be Coding.

Music

Lessons with school music teacher Mrs Simon will continue this half term. Music lessons are on a Tuesday morning.

Guide For Living

- Circle time to discuss behavioural, social and emotional issues
- PANTS
- This is a directive from the NSPCC, please check the link <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/> to see the content of the lesson, if you have any concerns about the content of the lesson, please contact the office. I will be teaching the PANTS lesson on Wednesday 9th November 2022 after we return from our visit to the Soanes Centre.
- Growth Mindset
- Friendship
- Class Charter

Spanish

Year 3 will continue with Spanish lessons every Wednesday.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Pinkerton, Ms Hancock and Mrs Hutton