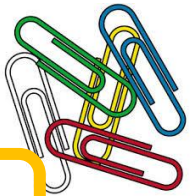


Year 3 Spring Curriculum Overview



Outlined are the main topics that we will be learning about during the Spring term.
Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions.

English

This term we will be looking at:

- * Developing our descriptive vocabulary.
- * Retelling stories from different perspectives.
- * Writing letters.
- * Using conjunctions and apostrophes correctly.
- * Writing non-chronological reports.

This term we will be studying the 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes, 'The Grotlyn' by Benji Davies and a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts linked to Europe. In our reading lessons, we will be looking at extracts from a range of texts linked to robots and will look in more detail at 'The Iron Woman'.

Mathematics

We will be learning to:

- Compare and order fractions.
- Add and subtract fractions.
- Simplify fractions and find fractions of amounts.
- Name and show amounts of money.
- Add and subtract money.
- Calculate change and solve word problems involving money.
- Find, make and compare angles.



Religion – This term, we start by looking at the season of Christmas and delving into the details of the nativity story, the people involved and their role in Jesus' life. We then move on to studying the structure of mass and ask why it is important to listen to God's word. We will be examining a range of bible stories to find examples of when people have listened to the Word of God. In the second half of the term, we will focus on the season of Lent. We will look at what changes Catholics make at this time of year and why as well as discussing the symbolism involved. Finally, we will learn about Holy Week and consider what happened towards the end of Jesus' life.

Science

In science, the children will be learning about animals including humans. We will be identifying some of the major bones in the human body and look at different types of skeleton that other animals have. We will also focus on how muscles work and will consider how much and what nutrition we need to survive. After half term, we will move on to look at rocks and soil. We will research the palaeontologist Mary Anning and find out how some rocks and fossils are formed as well as how they can be classified,

Theme

Our theme this term is Europe. We will be naming and locating the countries of Europe and identifying their human and physical features. We will then investigate whether a country's climate is affected by its location and learn how to read a climate graph. Following this, we will narrow our focus to Poland and compare cities in Poland to Coventry, deciding whether certain cities are good places for tourists to visit. We will use fieldwork to observe and record features of our local area, creating our own maps and keys. We will consider the benefits to tourists of visiting Coventry and create our own brochure to record our findings.

Art and Design Technology (DT)

Our art this term will focus on the French artist Monet, however, we will also be looking at a range of other European artists Van Gogh, Da Vinci and Munch. We will be developing a painted diorama inspired by Monet's 'Water Lily' painting and compare Monet's work to Banksy's 'Water Lilies Trash'. During this process, we will use watercolour, collage, oil pastel and paper craft techniques.



PE

This term, we will be playing netball in PE, looking at a range of different passing techniques and working to understand the footwork rules. We will also look at defending and shooting. Indoors, we will look at a range of fitness and dance activities.

PSHE

PSHE will be taught through a mixture of standalone lessons and through our R.E. topics. We will explore friendships as well as how to behave towards others in real life and online.

Dates: Mon:

Tues:

Weds: PE. Homework due in.

Thurs:

Fri: Homework sent home. PE.

Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day.