

This half term Year 3 are learning about:



English

In English, the children in Year 3 will begin the term by finishing off looking at persuasive leaflets. They will create their own persuasive leaflet about New York, Paris, or London.

Afterwards, the children will move to looking at a 'warning story'. They will create their own story map and look at grammar features of the text. They will also write as a writer, by writing a diary entry as a character. During this time, it will also be assessment week where the children will complete a grammar and reading test. The term will end with the children looking at poetry.

Our class book for this term will be 'Lenny Lemmon and the Invincible Rat' written by Ben Davis. This book arrived as part of our bi-monthly surprise book box!

Geography: Rainforests

In Geography, the children will be learning about rainforests. They will start off by exploring the layers of vegetation in a rainforest and investigating the climate of the rainforest. They will also learn about the people and settlements of the rainforest. They will end this unit by exploring why the rainforest is under threat, and the measures taken to protect it.

Mathematics



In Mathematics, Year 3 will continue looking at fractions where they will be continuing to order and compare fractions with different denominators. After this, they will begin solving word problems. We will also have an assessment week this term, where the children will be sitting end of year test papers.

After assessment week, the children will move on to revision, starting with time, addition, subtraction, multiplication, money, and then finishing with volume, mass, and perimeter.

During our Morning Work activities, children will be focussing on their arithmetic skills which will include addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and fractions.

Science: Rocks, fossils and soils

In Science, we will be carrying on with our rocks, fossils and soils topic. The children will be making careful observations and will be gathering and recording data. They will also be conducting investigations such as making starburst rocks. They will end the term by comparing different types of soils.

DT

In DT, Year 3 will be starting a new topic called weaving. The children will start the term by exploring the craft of weaving and using paper to investigate weaving. They will then move on to designing their own decorative woven wall hanging, which they will be making and evaluating.

PE

In PE, Year 3 will be doing athletics and rounders. In these lessons, the children will be working on their accuracy, ball-throwing skills, and co-ordination.

A PE kit is needed every day to be left in school. This must include an outdoor kit. **PE kit should be a plain white t shirt, black shorts, black joggers and a black sweatshirt.**

Trainers should be different to the shoes your child wears for school.

Key Vocabulary

This half term, some of the words that we will be learning in Year 3 include:

- canopy
- vegetation
- rainforests
- rocks
- climate
- Yanomami

Things to do at home:

- ❖ Regular reading with your child.
- ❖ Play TTRS or Numbots for 10 minutes daily.
- ❖ Complete homework, including spelling activities.

RE/PSHE



In RE, Year 3 will begin the term by completing their topic called "choices".

Year 3 will then move on to their final topic called 'Special Places'. They will start this topic by looking at the idea of everyone having a special place. The children will also retell a story about Jesus, making links to what Christians believe. Year 3 will end this topic by describing ways in which you can look after God's world.

PSHE

This half term, Year 3 will continue to share our Mission Circles on a Monday and a Friday. The Mission Circle themes are also shared in our weekly class Circle Time. The themes for this half term include the following: Pentecost, piety, Individual Liberty, knowledge, understanding and wisdom.

RSE

In RSE, Year 3 will start the half term by looking at using technology safely and how to report and get help if they come across inappropriate materials or messages. The children will also be looking at how harmful substances are not good for the body. They will then move on to looking at how to react in an emergency. Year 3 will end the term by knowing that God wants his Church to love and care for others.