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Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

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English

We will be reading a wide range of fiction and non-fiction texts, including the books: 'Why Was Tutankhamen Killed?' and 'The Storm'. We will be learning to write letters, explanation texts, short stories and poetry with an emphasis on descriptive language and using basic sentence punctuation, including inverted commas.

Mathematics

We will be learning number bonds for 100; comparing, ordering and partitioning three digit numbers; adding and subtracting using formal written methods; using times tables to multiply and divide; finding fractions of numbers; measuring time, length and capacity; classifying 3D shapes; and solving worded problems.

Science

We will be learning about food groups, balanced diet and healthy lifestyles, as well as the skeleton, muscles and joints, the heart and circulatory system.

Computing

We will be learning to create, edit, save and print files in word processing. We will also be learning to use PowerPoint.



PE

Our topic this term will be invasion games which will focus on passing, dribbling, attacking and defending. We will also be creating a dance to some music.

RE

Our topics this term are 'Who is my Neighbour?' and 'Who Inspires Me?' We will also be finding out more about the Christmas Story.

History

Our topic will be Ancient Egypt, which will also include an exciting homework project. Keep your eyes open for further information!

Art & Design

Our topic about Ancient Egyptian art will include writing in hieroglyphics; decorating sarcophagi and pharaohs' burial masks.

We will also be studying Matisse and creating our own masterpieces imitating his style.

At Christmas we will be using our artistic skills to make items to decorate our classrooms.

PSHE

Our topics this term are 'New Beginnings' and 'Getting On and Falling Out'. We will learn about respectful relationships in 'R Time' and how our brains work using 'Mind Up'.

French

Our topics this term include simple greetings and introductions, counting to thirty, colours, days of the week and months of the year ... en français!

Music

Our topic on rhythm and pulse has a focus on singing in unison which will help us as we learn songs.

Important Information

- Children should read to an adult at home for at least ten minutes a night. Books must be brought up to the classroom every day.
- Homework is a valuable exercise which reinforces concepts learned in school. English and Maths tasks will be set on alternate weeks. Handed out on a **Friday**, this should be brought back to school on a **Wednesday** for marking.
- PE will be on a Thursday. Correct PE kit, including a change of footwear, should be in school at all times. Jewellery to be removed; long hair tied back.
- Children are encouraged to bring water bottles to drink from during the day. Please do not send squash, fruit juice or drinks of any other kind.
- Finally, we encourage children to become more independent and start taking responsibility for their own learning needs from Year 3. However, we are always available to talk before and after school or via the office at other times.