



Year 3 – Spring 2

Topic/Theme

One Planet, Our World – This half term's topic is all about the planet we live on! Your child will use maps and compasses to locate countries and read four-figure grid references. They will sort and classify human and physical features, and name and describe the five major climate zones on Earth and begin to use longitude and latitude to locate places on a world map. This geography knowledge will help encourage children's exploration interests and skills!

Reading

Reading is an invaluable part of your child's education and is key to learning in all subjects across the curriculum. We aim to develop our children into confident and fluent readers, and to broaden their vocabulary, by exposing them to a rich diet of high-quality texts from a range of different genres.

Writing

Fiction

We will write a three-part narrative based on *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes. The story will include a dialogue and dilemma for the main character to resolve.

Non-Fiction

In our non-fiction writing, Year 3 will use their knowledge of fossilisation from Topic and Science lessons to write an extended explanation of the process, using technical language and pictures to support their explanations.





Maths

This half term we will be focusing on the topics of Money and Time. Children will revise their previous knowledge of coins and notes before adding, subtracting, and calculating change using pounds and pence. In our lessons on Time, Year 3 will learn to accurately read time to the minute using a range of time vocabulary including 'past, to, A.M. and P.M. They will use digital and analogue clocks to support their learning.

PSHE

This half term the topic for PSHE will focus around 'Healthy Me'. This will include teaching the children how to take care of their body, such as eating healthy and understanding which foods are healthy and not. We use a jigsaw scheme where six puzzle pieces will come together to solidify the children's knowledge in this area. We focus a lot on discussions in PSHE as we love to hear the children's thoughts and feelings on what they are learning about.

Computing

Year 3 are developing skills surrounding writing emails whilst recapping coding, variables, commands and repetitions using their 2Code knowledge on the iPads. They will discuss using emails platforms safely throughout their PSHE lessons too as we talk more about the rights we have and maintaining the rights of others.

Art & Design

We are looking at the work of LS Lowry as we learn how to sketch and draw urban landscapes in our art topic 'People and Places'.

Science

ROCKS: We will continue our learning about rocks this half term. Our lessons in Spring 2 will focus on fossilisation, palaeontology and a study on significant fossil hunter Mary Anning!





Religious Education

This project will inform the children about the religion of Islam, teaching them about the significance of the Hajj and showing them that religions share core teaching ideas but that they manifest and are celebrated in different ways. The children will look at the Five Pillars of Islam and become more confident with their 'compare and contrast' knowledge between the religions they have covered.

Physical Education

Year 3 are working on their Gymnastic skills, learning how to use their body to make star, straight and tuck shapes in a variety of different ways including jumps and rolls.

Music

'The Dragon Song' will expose the class to songs which tell stories, and support the children in feeling kindness, respect and positivity.

MFL

The calendar – Number consolidation – Identifying and responding to questions – Nouns and word families related to animal vocabulary and showing preferences.

