








Year 3 Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter

<p>English</p> <p>This term we will be covering both fiction and non-fiction writing. The children will be creating and reciting their own Haiku, Tanka and Kenning poems.</p>  <p>They will be exploring explanation texts, recounts and report writing. They will learn about the different roles involved in creating a newspaper report.</p>  <p>We will be reading Charlotte's Web towards the end of the term.</p>	<p>Maths</p> <p>The children will begin by learning formal methods for multiplication and division.</p> $\begin{array}{r l} 32 \times 3 = 96 \\ \times & 30 & 2 \\ 3 & 90 & + & 6 & = & 96 \end{array}$ <p>The next big focus is telling the time. This is great to practice at home e.g.</p>  <p>Dinner is at 6.30pm. How long until dinner? You have 20 minutes until bedtime. What time are you going to bed?</p> <p>The children will also be learning more about fractions – in particular, finding and counting tenths.</p> <p>We will be continuing to develop fluency in the four operations and applying them to solve problems.</p>	
<p>Science</p> <p>This term we will be learning about Rock types and Fossils.</p>  <p>This is an excellent topic and we already have a special visitor booked to come and teach the children all about fossils.</p> <p>You may want to consider a trip to the Natural History Museum to look at their rock or 'fossils from Britain' collections. http://www.nhm.ac.uk/</p>	<p>Topic</p> <p>Our first topic is The Power of the Earth – Volcanoes and Earthquakes.</p>  <p>This topic will be linked to science and will focus on how volcanoes are formed and the types of rocks. The children will learn about how and why earthquakes happen and they will be writing explanation texts and reports.</p> <p>We will be finishing the term with a look at Mediterranean Holidays. The focus will be on different countries, climate, famous landmarks and the terrain.</p>	
<p>Computing</p> <p>The children will continue to use Dance Mat Typing to increase the speed of their typing.</p>  <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/z3c6tfr</p> <p>We will also be learning about e-safety and have an introduction to blogging.</p>	<p>Art/DT</p> <p>In art we will be focusing on observational drawing. Weather permitting, we hope to do some outside artwork.</p> <p>In DT the children will be tasting and learning about Mediterranean foods. If any parents are from a Mediterranean country and would like to help by cooking some foods or answering the childrens' questions, please get in contact. 😊</p>	
<p>PE</p> <p>We are very lucky to have a team of coaches from Fitter Future to teach our Wednesday morning P.E. They will be covering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-Five Netball • Dance • Athletics <p>Don't forget to send in the full P.E. kit!</p>	<p>RE</p> <p>The focus for the next term is Christianity. The children will be learning about the life of Jesus.</p> 	<p>Spanish</p> <p>In January we will have language specialists teaching the children Spanish on a Wednesday morning. This is very exciting! The children will learn through games, songs and simple written activities.</p> <p>The first 2 units are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All about me • Songs and games
<p>Additional Information</p> <p>Half Term: 13th – 19th February Easter Holiday: 3rd -18th April</p> <p>Class Assemblies: 3F – 3rd March 2.45pm 3P – 17th March 2.45pm 3A – 24th March 2.45pm</p>		<p>Thank you for your support so far. We are looking forward to another great term full of learning and confidence building 😊</p> <p>Miss Ferguson, Mrs Paradas & Miss Appleford</p>