

Half Term Curriculum Overview



Year 3, Sarah Gilbert and Mary Somerville, Autumn

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English

Our core text is 'The Boy who Grew Dragons' by Andy Shepherd. Other texts will include 'Dragonology' by Dugald Steer and 'How to Train a Dragon' by Cressida Cowel. We will be writing a selection of different genres including a character description of a dragon, instructional writing on how to train a dragon and a narrative based on a lovely short film 'The Dragon Slayer'. We will be learning to use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions in our writing.

Mathematics

In our addition and subtraction topic we will be learning to add and subtract two 3-digit numbers by crossing 10 and 100, subtract a 3-digit number from a 3-digit number with exchange and estimate and check answers to calculations using the inverse operation. In our multiplication and division topic we will be learning to multiply and divide by 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10.

Science

We will be exploring rocks and fossils and answering the question 'How are all rocks different?' We will learn to identify and classify rocks and compare different kinds of rocks on the basis of physical properties. We will investigate the durability, density and permeability of rocks. We will write up our investigation on rocks. We will explore how and why rocks might have changed over time.

Homework

It is essential that your child completes all homework set. This will include:

- Learning spellings provided each week (posted on Google Classrooms)
- Reading each night for 15 minutes
- Maths activity on Google Classrooms

History

In our topic 'Stone Age' we will be investigating what humans needed for survival in the Stone Age, explaining what houses were like during the Stone Age and comparing them to other historical periods. We will be examining what was discovered at Skara Brae and discussing the mysteries around Stonehenge.

Computing

In our topic 'Multimedia and Word Processing' we will be creating captions and information texts for museums using Word and PowerPoint.

D&T

We will be answering 'What can be put in a pitta pocket to make it healthy?' We will complete surveys, list ingredients, write recipes, use scales and evaluate our product.

PE

We will be joining in with gymnastics and dance. We will develop our flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

RE

We will be discussing why some people think life is like a journey. We will look at the biblical and Hindu creation story, the Big Bang and Charles Darwin's theory of evolution.

Music

Our genre will be Reggae music and our focus song will be 'Three Little Birds'. We will listen to, sing and play the song along with our own improvised section.

Growth Mindset

We are continuing to implement our growth mindset stars in school. We will be looking for kindness, curiosity, grit and determination, optimism, teamwork and self-control.



Class Blog

Visit our class blog to: read the latest news, look at photo slideshows and find out more about what we have been learning.

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