

Half Term Curriculum Overview

Year 3 Term Autumn 2



English

This half-term we are writing a changed version of our core text – In to the Forest. We will be including new vocabulary, speech and changing the characters who the main character meets along his journey. We will also be writing a playscript based on Jack and the Beanstalk.

In Reading, we will be looking at a variety of texts, including stories, postcards, instructions and developing our understanding of vocabulary, retrieval skills and inference skills.

Our core text is In to the Forest by Anthony Browne.

Mathematics

In Maths this half term we will be looking at the four operations (add, subtract, multiply and divide). We will be perfecting our understanding of column addition and subtraction before moving on to looking at multiplication and division and recognising the relationships between the two.

We will also be working on our arithmetic skills and learning our times tables facts.

Please ensure your child is accessing times tables rockstars regularly at home to support this.

Science

In science, we will be exploring rocks, their properties and their uses. We will learn how to classify different types of rocks and also learn to recognise man made rocks.

We will be looking at how durable, permeable and dense different rock types are and using our knowledge to find uses for the different rocks.

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 'Stop-Motion Animation' we will be creating our own animations using a sequence of images to tell a story.

DT

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 playing a variety of target games using different equipment. We will improve our skills in throwing for distance and accuracy. Our PE day is Tuesday.

Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school and earrings are removed.

RE/ PSHE

We will be discussing why some people think life is like a journey. We will look at the biblical and Hindu creation stories, the Big Bang and Charles Darwin's theory of evolution. In PSHE we will be learning about rules and respect.

Music

Our theme this term is Vikings. We will be learning a Viking song and working on skills to sing together in unison.

Growth Mindset

Our focus this half term is to implement our growth mindset stars in school. We will be looking for kindness, curiosity, grit and determination, optimism, teamwork and self-control.

Homework

Reading at least four times a week.

Practice weekly spellings.

TT Rockstars.

British Values


This half term we will electing our school council members, anti-bullying advocates and eco-team leaders – focusing on the British Value of Democracy.

Class Blogs:

Aurora - <https://fnaauroray3.blogspot.com/>

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Laugh often, dream big
and reach for the stars.