

Year Three Curriculum Information Spring Term 2018

English	Text Work	Fiction	The Butterfly Lion - Michael Morpurgo English lessons will be based around the reading of this book, looking at author's writing techniques for hooking the reader, use of the 1 st and 3 rd person and effective use of language such as similes and metaphors. The children will be encouraged to empathise with the characters and have lots of opportunities for their own narrative writing, using this text as a stimulus.
		Non-fiction	Non-fiction text types will be covered through our reading of The Butterfly Lion: - Diary entries - Newspaper articles
	Sentence Work		Adverbs, Prepositions, Verbs, Adjectives, Direct Speech, Pronouns
	Word Work		Spelling patterns and rules, High frequency words, Using a dictionary and thesaurus.
Maths	<p>Measure - Know the number of seconds in a minute and the number of days in each month, year and leap year; Tell and write the time from an analogue clock, including Roman Numerals from I to XII, and 12-hour and 24-hour clocks; Compare duration of events, for example to calculate the time taken by particular events or tasks; Add and subtract amounts of money to give change, using both £ and p in practical contexts; Measure, compare, add and subtract lengths (m/cm/mm), volume/capacity (l/ml), mass (kg/g); Measure the perimeter of simple 2-D shapes; Add and subtract amounts of money to give change using both £ and p in practical contexts</p> <p>Geometry - Draw 2D shapes and make 3D shapes using modelling materials; Recognise 3D shapes in different orientations and describe them; Recognise that angles are a property of shape or a description of a turn; Identify right angles, recognise that two right angles make a half term, three make three quarters of a turn, and four make a complete turn, Identify whether angles are greater than or less than a right angle, Identify horizontal and vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel lines</p>		
Science	What Plants Need; Parts of Plants		
Computing	Minecraft and e-safety		
History	Taught in Autumn and Summer terms		
Geography	Where on Earth are we?; Is climate cool?		
Art	Drawing: observational plants/trees/flowers		
Music	The Class orchestra (arranging)		
P.E.	Dance and Athletics		
R.E.	Jesus the man who changed lives; Easter - Joy, sadness, joy		
Technology	Mechanisms - Levers and Linkages		

Weekly Homework

- A short piece of English and Maths homework will be set each week to support activities carried out in the classroom. This must be returned by the latest **Tuesday** of the following week.
- Spellings will be taught during basic skills lessons and children will bring home spellings to learn for a test which normally takes place on a Friday.
- Times tables - Please help your child to learn all of their times tables.
- Please continue to help your child to read every night, encouraging the use of expression and asking questions about what has been read. Please continue to sign the reading diary. It is vital that your child has his/her reading book in school **every day**, as reading activities take place most days.
- Year 3 have P.E **every Friday**, there are also opportunities for PE throughout the rest of the week. Please ensure that your child has a P.E kit (shorts, T-shirt and pumps), in school at all times. Kits will be sent home at the end of each half term to be washed and returned after the school break.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns or queries.

Thank you for your support
Mrs Bennett and Mr Watson