



Year 3 Curriculum Overview for Parents Autumn 1

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's stone

Subject	What will my child be learning about?
English <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading • Writing • Speaking & Listening 	This half term we will be focusing on the first Harry Potter book in the series. We will be looking at how this is an imaginative text and how a whole new world has been created. As we read through the story we will be discussing scenes and creating writing linked to them. This half term we will be writing character descriptions, setting descriptions, story writing, letter writing and we will be writing instructions. A new focus for us will be script writing.
Grammar & Punctuation	During this half term we will be recapping the grammar and punctuation skills taught over year 2 and practice embedding these skills. We will also be looking at paragraphing and how this is used within a text.
Spelling	We will be looking at prefixes including –un, -dis, -mis, -pre and –re. We will also be looking at alternative sounds for word endings.
Maths	This half term we will be working with numbers over 100 for the first time. We will spend a lot of time looking at the place value of these numbers, including how to read and write these numbers in numerals. We will be ordering and comparing numbers to 1000. We will then begin a topic on addition and subtraction, this will run over this term and next building up to us adding and subtracting 3 digit numbers.
Science	We will be looking at plants this half term. (Herbology for any Harry Potter fans) During this topic we will be learning the parts of a plant and the specific jobs those parts do. To ensure we understand how those parts work we will be completing investigations involving plants.
Computing	We are presenters! This half term we will be reviewing TV broadcasters and having a go at being presenters ourselves! We will be using the iPads to film, record and edit our videos.

<p>Humanities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History • Geography 	<p>During our Harry Potter topic we will be learning about Geographical locations. We will focus on the four countries of the UK, learning the capital cities and how each country is unique. We are then going to look at other countries in Europe and explore information on their capital cities.</p>
<p>Creating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art • D&T • Music 	<p>In Art and DT we are going to plan and create our own prop from the Harry Potter film 'The Mirror of Erised'. We will also have a go at using our sketching skills to draw Hogwarts.</p> <p>In Music we will be exploring pulse, sound, pitch and beat in a topic on Mamma Mia.</p>
<p>PE</p>	<p>Gymnastics</p> <p>We will be learning new skills including body control, strength, moving in and out of contrasting shapes and creating movements with a partner.</p>
<p>RE</p>	<p>Our RE question for this half term is Why is the bible important for Christians?</p> <p>We will be looking at the bible as a book and why Christians believe it is important. We will also be looking at other holy books and their importance.</p>
<p>Wider Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • British Values • Social, Moral, Spiritual & Cultural • PSHE 	<p>Through our British Values and PSHE sessions we will be covering topics such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mutual respect. • Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs • Friendships • Good vs Evil • dealing with situations • Family Differences
<p>Homework</p>	<p>Homework will be a selection based on the above.</p>
<p>Extra information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E.g. Trips, Assemblies, Special Days 	<p>Wednesday 5th Sept 6:00pm Elmfield Hall - Welcome to Year 3 Meeting</p> <p>Monday 18th Sept English open morning 9-10am</p> <p>Tuesday 26th Sept Individual and Family Photographs</p> <p>Thursday 28th Sept Year 3/4 Visit to the Church for Harvest</p> <p>Tuesday 3rd/Wednesday 4th Oct Parents Evening</p>