



Year 3
Spring Term
January – February 2025

Science

In Science, our topic is Rocks. We will become geologists and begin by classifying rocks in lots of different ways – by appearance, structure, type and origin. We will conduct experiments to help us decide if rocks have certain properties, such as porosity. We will also learn how fossils are formed and try to make some of our own!

Geography

In Geography we will explore Spain. To begin, we will use Google maps to explore where we live and our local area. We will recap the 7 continents and oceans on a world map. Children will then identify the location of Spain and compare this to the location of the UK on a world map. Children will identify longitude and latitude as well as understanding time zone and climate of Spain.

Spanish

In Spanish we will be learning how to say days of the week, months and dates. We will also continue to practice basic questions and be able to say when our birthdays are in Spanish.

Computing

This half term we will be looking at how to send emails. Children will understand how emails work, how to add attachments and the importance of being kind online. We will also learn how to identify fake emails.

P.S.H.E.

We are looking at 'Appreciation' and 'Gratitude' over the next few weeks. Children will identify experiences of gratitude for themselves, for experience and for others.

Art and Design

Children will be focusing on painting this half term. Children will look at early paintings from the Stone Age and consider which tools and colours were used. They will experiment painting like this themselves with a range of media.
In DT, Children will learn about mechanisms, levers and linkages.

Thank you for your support.
Miss Hogg and Mrs Otu

English

Our focus text for English this half term is 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. The Iron Man tells the story of a gigantic metal robot who appears out of nowhere, crashing onto the beach and shattering into many parts. He is discovered by a young boy named Hogarth. We will explore the story chapter by chapter, discussing the characters and plot within our sessions. The Iron Man will support a range of writing opportunities over this half term. We will also be reading The Wild Robot in on Reading lessons.

Mathematics

We will continue working on multiplication and division skills. Children will be learning how to multiply a 1 digit number by a 2 digit number. Additionally, we will learn how to divide a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number. We will then move on to the topic of money. Children will be adding and subtracting values. Prior to the upcoming half term, we will work on statistics. Children will be reading pictograms, bar charts and tables.

Religious Education – To Know You More Clearly

This half term our topic is 'Galilee to Jerusalem'. We will be exploring journeys, miracles and parables within the Bible and linking them to belief in and acceptance of the Kingdom of God.

Music

In music, children will listen to Cuban music and discover rhythms. Children will be recognising chorus/verse structures. We will take part in weekly whole school Hymns practise, and Year 3 will also be taking part in ukulele lessons this half term on Monday afternoons, and Singing lessons on Tuesday afternoons.

Physical Education

P.E. this half term will be on Tuesday and Thursdays – Children can come to school wearing their correct PE kits. We will be working on the topics of Football and Ball Skills.

Homework

We will continue to use our homework menus for termly homework.

Children also have logins for Reading Eggs/Eggspress.

Please encourage your child to read as often as possible and write a comment in their reading record book.

Spellings will be sent home weekly – please encourage your child to learn them. All spellings are also on our class page under Spelling Shed.