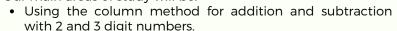
YEAR 3

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING DURING THIS HALF TERM.

TOURISM

Numeracy

Our main areas of study will be:



• Applying our knowledge of addition and subtraction to word problems and reasoning.

• Multiplying and dividing by 3, 4 and 8.

• Short multiplication using 1 and 2 digit numbers.

We will be focusing on the 3, 4 and 8 times tables, as well as revisiting and consolidating the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Your support at home with helping your children to learn their times tables will be greatly appreciated.

Geography

In Geography we will continue to focus on Tourism and why people visit other places. This project teaches children to locate counties and cities, as well as being able to use grid references, Children will be able to use the eight points of a compass to help them locate different areas. and will use atlases to locate European countries and cities. With the use of the knowledge gathered within lessons the class will be able to explore the consequences of tourism.

History

In History we will continue to focus on the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. As historians we will be learning about the people during these periods of time. The children will learn about British Prehistory and studying the changes that happen to people and lifestyle through these periods of time. They will understand that history can be divided into periods of time which are put into chronological order.

Music

In music children will be exploring the pulse and rhythm of a piece of music by listening to different songs and playing the glockenspiel.

Computing/Spanish

In computing we will be focusing on the importance of E-Safety and creating posters. The children will be understanding computing systems and how digital devices work.

The children will learn about the Spanish language. They will be able to say basic phrases, such as greetings and the names of colours.

Homework

Times tables and spelling books will be handed out each week. A times tables and spelling test will be completed every Monday. Your continued support in preparing for the test is gratefully appreciated.

Our Art lessons will continue to focus on contrasting and complementing colours. The children will be learning about and experimenting with the colour theory and mixing different colours.

In DT the children will be learning to cook and eat well.

We will focus on the importance of a healthy,

Art/DT

PE

balanced diet.

PE lessons will take place on **Friday** afternoons. PE Kits should be brought into school every Monday and taken home to be washed every Friday. Children will need their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T Shirt,

If you have any concerns: please speak to Miss Worrall or Mrs Moore on the door or please ring/email the school office if it is urgent.



In Literacy our focus will be 'The First Drawing' by Mordicai Gerstein in which children explore the text, including exploration of the Stone Age and cave paintings. They will write diary entries, explore the conventions of speech, create character descriptions and finish by writing their own historical narratives. We will work on correctly spelling words with prefixes and suffixes and spell different homophones.

Reading

In reading we will be focusing on the text 'The Legend Of Podkin One Ear' by Kieran Larwood. The children will use the text to find meaning beyond the literal and use inference skills to work out the characteristics of different people from the story.

Science

In Science the children will be learning about 'Rocks and Fossils.'They will find out about what rocks are and how the three different types of rocks are formed, discover how some rocks are more durable than others and investigate the permeability of a range of different rocks. Once pupils have a deeper understanding of rocks, they will begin to think about how the different properties of rocks make them more suitable for certain uses and also to understand what fossils are.

R.E.

In R.E the children will be focusing on 'What it is like for someone to follow God?' This will be linked to the story of Noah's Ark. The children will be able to explain the importance of trust and promise, linking this back to the Bible.

We will also be explaining why God's promises are important to Christians.

Home Reading

Home reading books will be changed and sent home every Friday. Please encourage your children to read for pleasure and to discuss these stories with you. Please sign their reading record daily and return them to school each day. Each child will be entered into a reading challenge where they must read at least 3 times each week.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be collectively working on 'Celebrating Difference.' This will cover celebrating the differences in everybody's families. We will also be learning how to read other people's emotions and resolving conflict.