



Year 3 Curriculum Handbook
Summer Term 2019

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Welcome to this term's handbook

Details of your child's teachers and their contact details are provided. You will also find information of what they will be covering in each subject. Should you have any queries or concerns your child's tutor is your first port of call.

However, as the Year 3 & 4 Co-ordinator, I am here to support and monitor your child's progress from Year 3 and through Year 4.

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English and Drama

We will be using an abridged version of 'Oliver Twist' and a Victorian Mystery called 'Shadow Play' this term.

This term we will learn

- About Charles Dickens
- About Victorian Britain
- How to write a diary entry from a particular point of view
- To use appropriate language to create an atmosphere
- To use speech in the correct context
- To compare and contrast the living conditions of rich and poor children
- To act out scenes taking on different characters
- To use persuasive language
- To write factually

Key Words

orphan	respectable	family	poverty	children	Dickens
headline	kindness	workhouse	diary	character	criminal
paragraph	villain	verb	venerable	adjective	warm-hearted

This term we will learn

- Again, the four rules (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division)
- About 3D shapes
- About measurement and conversion of units of measurement
- Fractions
- More about money
- About symmetry and reflections
- Mental maths and times tables every week
- Outdoor maths to consolidate the week's learning in a different learning environment

Key Words

addition	subtraction	multiplication	fraction	division
cylinder	cuboid	prism	sphere	faces
edges	vertices	centimetre	metre	kilometre
grams	kilograms	litres	millilitres	half
quarter	third	pounds	pence	decimal point
symmetry	reflection			

Plants

This term we will learn

- Plants' different requirements for growth
- About the different parts of a plant and their specific jobs
- How plants adapt to their environment

Enquiry skills focus

- Investigating a variety of plants
- Why plants have developed as they have
- Using results to draw conclusions

Key Words

plant	stalk	stem	petal	sepal
leaf	root	root hairs	stigma	style
stamen	anther	filament	ovary	ovule
seed	bulb	light	water	oxygen
carbon dioxide				

Ancient Greece

This term we will learn

- Where Greece is situated and when the Ancient Greek time period was
- Learn about Athens and Sparta and their significance
- Study some Ancient Greek myths
- Learn about the Acropolis and its importance
- Look at some examples of Ancient Greek theatre
- Study Ancient Greek warfare
- Look at the history of the Olympics dating back to Ancient Greek times

Enquiry skills focus

- Investigate different sources to find out about life in Ancient Greek times
- Place different events on a time-line of the Greek period
- Use our knowledge to build a picture of life during the Ancient Greek era

Key Words

Ancient Greece	Empire	nobleman	Parthenon	tunic
slave	Acropolis	warfare	Athens	Sparta
Olympics	solider	helmet	Homer	Plato
Pythagoras	Doric column	Corinthian column	Alexander the Great	
Persian	theatre			

Religious Studies

Judaism

This term we will learn

- About Judaism
- How Jewish people express their beliefs
- About the Torah scrolls and why these are important to Jews
- Jewish places and times of worship
- About Jewish symbols of faith
- About Hanukah, the Jewish festival of lights
- About Shabbat and how a typical Jewish child celebrates Shabbat
- To make links between Judaism and other religions
- To reflect on the actions and beliefs of Jewish people and make links with their own thoughts and actions
- To communicate and share ideas with others

Key Words

Jewish	God	father	King	Judge
shield	rock	Old Testament	Torah scroll	synagogue
Star of David	Menorah	Mezuzah	Passover	orthodox
Shabbat	Hanukah			

The Class Orchestra

This term we will learn

- To explore accompaniments and arrangements
- To explore the structure of pieces of music
- To use a range of musical instruments to create accompaniments to songs

Ongoing skills

- To recognise and play ostinato within pieces
- To recognise and use musical elements
- Develop good singing technique (breathing, posture, pitching, etc.)
- Develop performance skills with voice and a range of pitched and non-pitched instruments
- Listen to and recognise different musical styles and historical periods
- Work with others through paired, small-group and whole-class tasks
- Continue to develop note reading ability for the keyboard and ensemble skills

Key Words

musical elements	percussion	Baroque	Classical
tuned	untuned	Accompaniment	ostinato

Modern Foreign Languages (MFL)

Overview

In Year 3 the main emphasis continues to be on speaking and listening in both French and Spanish with opportunities for the more able to begin to write in both languages.

This term we will learn

- The Weather
- Numbers
- Talking about oneself

Pupils will be encouraged to continue to use Linguascope both at school and at home.

Coding

This term we will learn

- The basics of computer programming
- How to write simple programs to accomplish a specific goal
- How to use sequences and repetition in computer programs
- How to detect errors in computer programming

Presentations and Publications

This term we will learn

- How to present text and pictures in a range of publications and presentations
- How to research and format the information for a particular audience
- How to format for effect and to convey a message
- Do's and Don'ts for printed publications
- How to apply effects to improve a presentation

Key Words

action	algorithm	command	events	input
outputs	objects	angle	action	speed
vehicle	if	repeat	select	sequence
variable	debug	control	format	research
target audience	message			

Learning

This term we will learn

- About the brain
- About different learning styles
- About being an individual
- How to set targets
- About money
- About positive feelings

Enquiry skills focus

- To understand how we learn
- To think positively about new challenges

Key Words

brain learning auditory kinaesthetic individual positive
target challenge

Physical Education and Swimming

Athletics

This term we will learn and develop track and field events for sports day

- 75m
- 200m
- 600m
- Long Jump
- High Jump
- Ball Throw

Key Words

race starts	approach run	take off	leading leg	inside leg	outside leg
scissor kick	twist	rotate	high knees	landings	

Swimming

This term we will learn

- How to perform an effective front crawl, back crawl and breaststroke
- The basic technique of butterfly
- How to perform a streamlined dive entry including the transition phase into a stroke
- The basics of how to perform a turn

Key Words

pull	kick	glide	streamlined	power	high elbow
hand entry	tumble turn	transition	hand-over-hand		
balance	rhythm	breathing to side			

Clay Modelling and Van Gogh

This term we will learn

- How to model clay with fingers
- How to model clay using modelling tools
- About the use of glazes
- How to draw trees
- How to look for detail
- About Van Gogh
- To draw and paint in the style of Van Gogh

Key Words

clay	pinch pot	modelling	firing	glaze
modelling tools	observation	sketching	drawing	trees
Van Gogh	sunflowers	gallery	sketchbooks	

Handheld Game

This term we will learn

- To cut and manipulate wood and woodworking tools
- To cut straight and accurately
- To design and construct a simple wooden handheld toy
- To take care with woodworking machinery and equipment
- How to use saws to cut thin pieces of wood safely
- How to stick things safely using a glue gun
- How corners can be strengthened through their design
- To create a design using the skills they have learned
- To plan and measure out their design onto a board
- To paint their toy
- To evaluate their design

Safety within this unit is a top priority and all children will be supervised when using saws and glue guns at all times.

Key Words

Saw	wood	measure	accuracy	design,
manipulate	cm	mm	hacksaw	coping saw
jigsaw	orbital sanders	design brief	set square	

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