

Year 3 Half Termly Newsletter January 2024

<u>English</u>

This term we are learning about bedtime stories. This involves a range of reading and writing skills. The children will spend time reading through different examples of bedtime stories, comprehending them as they go. We will also discuss the author's word choices, including examples of fronted adverbs, speech, conjunctions and prepositions. The children will get to write their own bedtime story in a fun pyjama performance day.

Maths

This half term in maths, we will be completing our work on multiplication and division written methods. After we have completed this unit, we will move to length and perimeter, where children will have to name and describe different shapes. Both units involve opportunities to problem solve. The children will also need to continue their multiplication practise.

History and Art

Our current history topic is 'Vikings, Anglo Saxons and Scots'. The children will learn about Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots. Through research and exploration, the children will discuss the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor

Science

Our science topic is 'forces and magnets'. Throughout this unit, the children will learn about different types of forces, including both contact and non-contact forces. They will observe how magnets work and test different magnetic materials and their uses. Throughout science, the children will have opportunities to apply their knowledge through experimentation.

<u>PE</u>

Our P.E unit for this half term is 'Attack and Defend'. The children will be learning to travel with control of equipment, making quick decisions and choosing when to tackle or defend a space.

Computing

In computing children will be learning about how to create a spreadsheet. This will involve them collecting, inputting and then analysing data using software.

<u>RE</u>

In R.E, our unit is 'How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim'. The children will explore what people believe and what difference this makes to how they live.

<u>Homework</u>

Children will be set homework that is expected to be completed over the half term. Spellings will be set every Friday and will be tested the following Friday.

Class Routines

Children should be in school for 8:50am prompt, with their school day ending at 3:20pm. Mondays and Friday P.E days and children should bring their school PE kits in a bag, ready to get changed in school. It is expected for children to strive to read at home with an adult at any given opportunity and record this in their reading records. Please sign where they have read so we know that they did have actually read.

