

Year 3 Curriculum Plan

Autumn 1 2019



Different Places, Similar Lives



Overview of Topic

People lead different lives. Even people in the same country, the same town or the same street can have different lifestyles. But they can have things in common, too - they can both like the same food or football team! In this topic we will learn about different countries, how climate affects the people in these countries and those who have made a difference to the world that we live in.

Value of the half term: Confidence

Key Curriculum Areas

As Readers we will be improving our ability to read unfamiliar words including those with prefixes and suffixes. We will read a range of texts in particular narratives and information texts. Our class focus is on the story of Paddington. We will learn to take part in discussions about what we are reading, make predictions about what might happen and learn to summarise the main events from more than 1 paragraph. It is essential that the children read at home each day and spend time with you talking about what they have read. We encourage the children to read a wide range of texts. They will be given a book from school but they should supplement this with books from home or the public library.

As Writers we will be writing recounts of events which have taken place, creating information texts linked to our IPC topic. We will learn to describe characters and settings using adjectives and adjectival phrases. We will learn how to extend our sentences by using a range of conjunctions. It is important that all our writing contains the punctuation we have learned so far (full stops, exclamation marks and commas). Our spelling practice will focus on adding some prefixes and suffixes to words. We will also revise some of the key words from Year 2 and begin to learn those from the Year 3 list. Learning to join letters correctly is an important part of becoming a fluent writer and the children will have lots of opportunities to learn and practise. They will be working towards earning their pen licences.

As Mathematicians we will be looking at place value. The children need to know the value of each digit in 3 digit numbers. We will practise ordering and comparing numbers up to 1000. We will count forwards and backwards in multiples of 50 and 100 and be able to give a number that is 10 more or less. We will focus on learning multiplication tables. The children should already be confident with 2s, 5s and 10s and now need to learn 3s and 4s. There will be tests at regular intervals.

As Religiously Literate students we will be learning about what it means to be a Hindu. The children will learn about Hindu deities and symbols, be able to identify where Hindus worship and be able to retell one of the stories celebrated during a special Hindu festival.

Other Curriculum Areas

As Scientists we will be learning all about light. The children start their formal look at light. They will learn about how we see objects, the ways in which different objects reflect different amounts of light and how these ideas can be applied to staying safe at night. They will explore what causes a shadow, as well as how the shape and size of a shadow can be affected by its position.

As Geographers we will be finding out what different countries are like, how the climate affects the way people live, where our food comes from, what people grow and eat in different countries and what products we make in our host country.

As Historians we will be carrying out a Local History Study, finding out about important people who lived in our local area and the impact that they had.

As Athletes we will be developing our orienteering skills, We will learn to use maps in order to carry out tasks and find location points by following given routes. The children will work in groups to complete a variety of adventurous challenges.

As Musicians we will be we will be learning to play the recorder and read simple musical notation.

As Emotionally Literate students we will be thinking about strengths and challenges. They will think about how we can celebrate achievements, deal with put downs and positive ways to deal with set backs.

As Artists we will be creating our very own artistic impressions of different countries to support our IPC topic. We will be using a range of techniques to create beautiful rangoli patterns for our Hinduism topic.

As Linguists we will be having regular French lessons. We will be learning how to introduce ourselves and give some basic information. We will also be able to describe our families and understand some simple classroom instructions.

As Computer Literate students we will be looking at E-Safety and how they can keep themselves safe. They will also begin to develop their touch typing skills.

Reminders

P.E Days: usually on a Tuesday and Wednesday but a named PE kit should be kept in school at all times.

Homework

Reading: Children are expected to read **everyday** at home and use home reading journals on a daily basis. These should be handed in every **Monday** morning.

Spellings: They will also receive weekly spellings to learn, ready for their Spelling Bee Challenge the following week.

Homework Grid: Children will be provided with a homework grid for every half term which will be kept in their homework folder.

Children must choose one option from the homework grid per week, to be handed in on **Wednesday** morning. They must choose a task from each row throughout the half term to ensure an even coverage of subjects.

Fruit: If you wish, you may provide your child with a piece of fruit to eat at morning break.

Learning Experiences

Meet the teacher ~ Tuesday 10th September 9 a m
Local walk for our IPC topic -Friday 20th September
Macmillan coffee morning - Friday 27th September 9am
Harvest Festival Service ~ Friday 27th September 11am
Parents Maths Workshop - Friday 4th October 9am
Arts Trophy Final - Thursday 3rd October - 1.30pm
Individual photos - Friday 4th October - 9am
Multicultural week begins - Monday 14th October
Parent consultations - Tuesday 15th October - 3.30pm
Parent consultations - Wednesday 16th October - 3.30pm
Multicultural week food festival - Friday 18th October - 1.30pm