

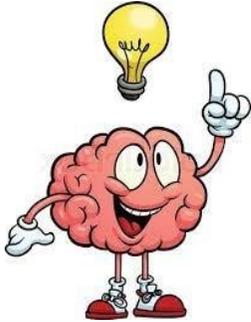
Literacy –

In literacy, children will be finishing off their playscript writing which they seem to have been really enjoying so far! Following on from this, children will begin to explore letter writing. They have already written their own letter to Santa at Christmas, but we will be looking at a variety of different letter types. Excitingly, we will have our very own letter box in the classroom!



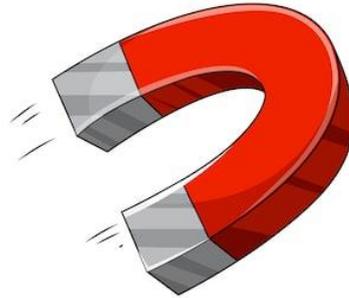
Numeracy –

In maths, Year 3 will be finishing off their learning on addition and subtraction and moving onto multiplication and division. They will be revising their times tables and will learn how to divide and multiply with this knowledge. Mr Seaborne will be working with Year 3 on measuring and data over spring too.



Science –

Children are going to become experts with rocks and soils. We are going to begin by making a rock exhibition for a museum by observing, grouping, drawing and naming different rocks. Throughout the term, Year 3 will be gathering data and completing fair tests about the properties of different rocks to help with their understanding. In term 4, we are going to learn about forces and magnets. We are going to investigate what forces are and where we can see them in action. When exploring magnets, the children will be encouraged to be curious and ask different questions so that we can investigate them.



Music -

Get ready to get your groove on! Children will be drumming with Mr Garcia every Friday.

PE –

Swimming is every Wednesday afternoon (2-2:30pm).
Gymnastics – children will be working in small groups to create a variety of gymnastics sequences. Cricket – children will be practicing a variety of skills so they can set up their own cricket games.

Please ensure that children have their PE kit in school every day.

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Welcome back Year 3! The class settled in excellently during their first term and we are now looking forward to the Spring Term. This term is very exciting because we are going to be learning all about **Rivers**. Below you can see a brief overview of everything we will be learning in terms 3 and 4...

Spellings and times tables – These will be given to the children at the start of the week and they will practice them every day at home. Parents can grab a copy from the classroom if they wish.

Homework – Homework will be handed out on a Friday and will need to be completed by the following Thursday. The work should be set so that your child can complete it independently but if they struggle, don't hesitate to guide and prompt them (and let me know).

Swimming – Please ensure that your child brings their swimming kit to school every Wednesday. If they aren't able to swim, please send your child with a note or come and see me.

Daily mile – We will continue with the daily mile and will see if we can beat our score from last term! This will give the children a bit of a 'brain break' and also a time to get into the fresh air! Please ensure your child comes to school with a water bottle and a healthy snack for afterwards – thank you!

My door is always open and everyone is welcome, so if you have any questions or anything you wish to discuss, feel free to come in. I'm looking forward to getting to know you as well as all of the year 3 children over the next year!

DT and art –

Hokusai is a Japanese artist who created a beautiful wave design which Year 3 will be replicating using paints and other materials. They will focus on what techniques are used within Japanese artwork and will use this within their own piece. I would really like them to focus on attention to detail and create a piece of art as beautiful as Hokusai's!

Children will also be discovering the variety of bridges and bridge structures there are. Through exploring these different bridges, Year 3 will create their own model bridge after which they will evaluate the effectiveness of their work and offer feedback to others.



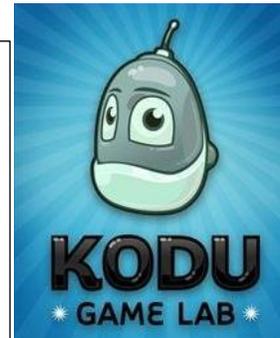
Religious Education –

In keeping with the topic of rivers, children will explore the pilgrimage to the River Ganges within the Hindu religion. Within this, year 3 will explore the importance of water and what significance it has to Hindu's.



Information technology –

In ICT this term, children will begin by programming a game called Kodu. They will also learn to create their own game and both give and receive feedback in order to make improvements. Later in the term, Year 3 will be experimenting with different skills and techniques such as adding effects and music to their work. Additionally, there will be a focus on the importance of internet safety and why it's important to ask an adult before downloading files and games from the Internet.



PSHE-

'Looking Forward' is our topic for term 3. Year 3 will be looking at different global issues, Fairtrade and charity. In term 4, the focus is on friends and family and children will begin to understand that each family is unique.



History and geography -

Our topic is rivers! We will begin the topic by looking at the water cycle before focusing on rivers. Following on from this, children will use their atlas skills to learn about rivers across the world and will begin to understand the different features and stages of a river. Then we will focus on the River Marden in Calne as it is a local river. Through researching both the River Marden and River Thames, children will begin to make comparisons, focusing on the similarities and differences between the two rivers.



French –

In term 3, we will be looking at the topic of 'Our School' whereby children will be able to listen and respond to instructions in creative ways such as listening to French instructions in a PE lesson. We will also be looking at different places within the school grounds and the equipment within school such as answering the question 'What's in your pencil case?'. In term 4, the focus is all about food! Children will learn to be able to answer a variety of different questions in French such as 'what colour is it?'.