

Curricular Targets



Fiction Reading Targets

Explore underlying themes and ideas making reference to the text.

Could think of other words and phrases that the author could have used and say why.

Should be able to find words and phrases to explain what you think about the story or poem and what it is about.

Must be able to point to key words and say what they mean.

Non-Fiction Reading Targets

Understand the features of page layout in non-fiction texts and how to locate specific information.

Could identify some useful bits of information in a text by skim reading.

Should be able to use headings and sub-headings to locate information quickly.

Must be able to use the Contents and Index page to find information.

Writing Targets

Revise the sense of a sentence from KS1. Use interesting vocabulary varying the use of verbs for impact, keeping the tense consistent.

Could choose more adventurous verbs from our display for their effect on the reader.

Should be able to use interesting and powerful verbs. E.g., for *went* and *said*.

Must begin to use verbs correctly in a sentence both orally and written.



Numeracy Targets

Solve simple word problems involving time and measures and explain how the problem was solved.

Must and should use mental calculation strategies to solve measurement problems set in a variety of contexts. Explain methods and reasoning orally and, where appropriate, write a number sentence using numbers and signs to show how the problem was solved.

Could solve 'story' problems involving kilometres, metres, centimetres, millimetres, kilograms, half kilograms, grams, litres, half litres, millilitres, miles, pints... and explain and record how the problem was solved.

Year 3 Newsletter



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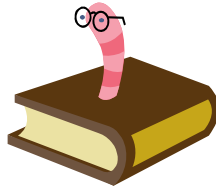
Welcome to Year 3



I am very pleased to welcome the Year 3 children back to school. They have settled into class so well and are already producing some excellent pieces of work!

The children will be taking part in a number of activities and events throughout the next term.

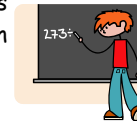
In R.E we will be finding out why rules are important during 'our' lives and how they influence our behaviour. We will also learn about the ten commandments and how to follow God's rules and "to live His way." We will look at different rules in Islam and compare them with Christianity. Through a variety of activities, the children will learn how Christmas is a celebration of God's presence in our lives.



In Literacy we will be reading 'Stories with Familiar Settings' and will focus 'Sam's Duck' by Michael Morpurgo, 'Bill's New Frock' by Anne Fine and the film 'Matilda'. The children will

describe their 'own' familiar setting through their writing. We will also be looking at 'Non-fiction Report Writing' which will be linked to 'Weather Around the World' in Geography and Science topics. The children will be writing a report about the Caribbean. In Poetry the children will be learning about 'Calligrams' and producing their own in ICT choosing appropriate ways to present them. The children will also explore 'Shape Poems' and have a go at writing their own. They will also be writing their own poems about the Caribbean Islands using alliteration, rhyme and repetition. These will then be performed to the class.

In Numeracy we will continue to practise and develop; for example: read, write and order numbers up to 1000 on a number line; count on and back to 0 in single-digit steps or in 10's. Partition three-digit numbers into multiples of 100, 10 and 1 in different ways; recall addition and subtraction facts for each number up to 20, sums and differences of multiples of 10 and add or subtract mentally combinations of one-digit and two-digit numbers. We will also be looking at 2-D & 3-D shapes, weighing, measuring, data handling, time including telling the time to the nearest five minutes, multiplication, division, fractions and solving problems involving measures. The children will also derive and recall multiplication facts for the 2-, 3-, 4-, 5-, 6- 10-times tables and the corresponding division facts.



In Science the children will be learning about Teeth and Eating and Characteristics of Materials. In ICT we will combine texts and pictures through Literacy

and they will be introduced to databases by devising and answering simple questions about the information. We will also study 'Weather Around the World' in Geography and our DT topic is 'Making a Healthy Sandwich Snack' where the children will create and make their own sandwiches. Art will be linked to Geography and the children will be doing pastel pictures of the Caribbean, observational drawings and paintings using William Turner as a focus. The children will also take part in Music on Tuesdays and also explore singing games and descriptive sounds in music.

The children will take part in P.E on Mondays and Games on Thursdays. Please can you ensure that all children bring their kits into school on these days. In P.E the children will be doing gymnastics and in games they will be doing football and netball.

The children will also be learning 'Italian' on Tuesdays afternoons with Mrs Giovanna,

