

# Year 3

## Advent Term



### Our Year 3 Team

Welcome to Year 3! We are excited for the year ahead and look forward to getting to know you all. Please read our newsletter to find out what we will be up to during our first term in Year 3.

**3AM:** Ms Aghoghogbe, Mrs Coley, Mrs McCulloch and Miss Junaid

**3LA:** Mrs Atherton, Ms Dawes and Mrs Sarno

### Maths

#### **Place Value**

- Identify, represent and estimate numbers.
- Find 10 or 100 more or less.
- Place value of three-digit numbers.
- Compare and order numbers to 1000.
- Read and write numbers to 1000.
- Solve number problems.
- Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100.

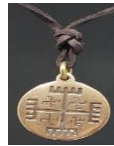
#### **Addition and subtraction**

- Add and subtract three-digit numbers and ones, a three-digit number and 10s and a three-digit number and 100s.
- Add and subtract using column addition and subtraction.
- Estimate the answer to a calculation and use the inverse to check.
- Solve problems.

#### **Multiplication and division**

- Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 tables.
- Write and calculate mathematical statements.
- Solve problems.

### History



#### **Advent 1: History – The Stone Age**

Our History topic will focus on periods of time, evidence, artefacts, archaeology and changes and technological advances in homes, diets and the daily lives of people during the Stone Age.

Our investigation question is: *If the Stone Age was such a long time ago, how do we know so much about it?*

#### **Advent 2: History – The Bronze Age and Iron Age**

Our investigation question is: *Would you rather live in the Stone Age, the Bronze Age or the Iron Age?*

In Advent 2, we will focus on significant changes from the Stone Age to the end of the Iron Age.

### French

Madame Naturel teaches French in Year 3 and in the Advent term we will learn:

- Numbers 1-10.
- Words for yes and no.
- Basic greetings.
- Asking and answering questions about name and age.
- How to follow simple classroom instructions.

### Religious Education

Homes: Our first topic looks at God's dream for every family and how the Holy family lived.

Promises: For the next topic we will look at the promises made at Baptism and why they are important.

Other Faiths Week: This will be based on Judaism and in Year 3 we will be learning about the Jewish places of worship.

Visitors: Our Advent topic will help us to prepare for the coming of Jesus.



## Music

Improvisation: We will be developing our skills on a new instrument in a class carousel of the Toot, ukulele and recorder.

## Reading Notation

Introducing the stave, lines, and spaces. We will notate a composition on the stave within a range of two notes.



## Computing

### Networks

We will learn what a network and server is and how the internet uses networks to send files.



## Personal, Social and Health Education

We will be learning that feelings can change over time and can range in intensity. We will also learn how to manage setbacks in life.

We will then learn about different types of relationships and the features of a caring relationship. Exploring different types of family structures will be part of this term's P.S.H.E curriculum.

## Science

### Advent 1: Rocks and Soils

Our first Science topic will look at the different types of rocks. We will be learning to compare different types of rocks based on their appearance and properties. We will also be looking at fossils and learning how they are formed.

### Advent 2: Magnets and Forces

In Advent 2, we will begin by learning about forces that help objects move on different surfaces. Then we will look at magnets and how they attract and repel each other. Finally, we will investigate which materials are magnetic. Scientific enquiry will form a key part of both science topics.

## English

### How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth

We will write our own entertaining instructions to explain how to wash a Stone Age animal!

### Stone Age Boy

Letter writing to recount the story of the Stone Age Boy.

**The River's Tale:** Writing our own rhyming poetry

### The Boy with the Bronze Axe

We will write our own chapter for the story.

## PE

### Fundamentals

We will develop our balance, speed, jumping, hopping and skipping. We will also improve our ball control and learn to track an opponent. We will develop our speed, strength, agility and stamina.

### Gymnastics

We will be focusing on shapes, balance, jumps, rolls and strategy.

## DT

For the Advent term we will be using levers and linkages to create a moving picture.

## Homework

### Until October half term:

Homework will be focused on reading. Children should be reading at home every day for around 15 - 20 minutes. It is very important that you please read with your children at home and make a note in their organiser.

### After October half term:

Children will be given their homework tasks on a **Wednesday**. They will be expected to return these the following **Monday**. It will include:

- A maths task
- A knowledge organiser task (History/Geography)
- Spellings (**tested on a Thursday**)

Also, in Year 3 it is important that children continue to read aloud daily, practise their times tables (Times Tables Rockstars) and practise their handwriting (Letterjoin)

## Art

For the Advent term we will be studying and recreating Prehistoric Cave Art. We will be using sketching pencils to show light, tone and texture, as well as learning different shading techniques.