

Lent Term in Year 3

Happy New Year everyone and welcome back to school! The children have started the new term full of focus – showcasing the ‘Good Shepherd Way’ and the school value of ‘Achieve your best.’

Please see Mrs Toner’s most recent newsletter regarding uniform. One of our school mantras is ‘dress to impress’ and it is an expectation that children are dressed in the correct school uniform at all times. We appreciate your support in making sure children are wearing the correct uniform and footwear to school every day.

Many thanks, The Year 3 Team 😊

Pilgrimage to Good Shepherd Church (Year of Hope) – Tuesday 21st February



INSET Day – Friday 14th February
INSET Day – Monday 24th February

Diary Dates

13th January:
Creswell
Craggs Trip

Parents Evening – Tuesday 4th March & Wednesday 5th March

Divergent Drama Robin Hood workshop – Thursday 27th March (more details to follow)

Maths



- **Multiplication and division B**
- Multiples of 10
- Related calculations
- Link multiplication and division
- **Length and perimeter**
- Measure in metres and centimetres
- Measure in millimetres
- Measure in centimetres and millimetres
- **Fractions A**
- Understand the denominators of unit fractions
- Understand the numerators of non-unit fractions
- Understand the whole
- **Mass and capacity**
- Use scales
- Measure mass in kilograms and grams
- Add and subtract mass
- Measure capacity and volume in litres and millilitres
- Fractions and scales

At home it is important to learn times table and division facts for 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

Geography

How are places different in Nottinghamshire?

The children will know that England is divided into regions and that Nottinghamshire is in the East Midlands region. They will learn how to identify regions and counties using an atlas. They will compare the major urban centres of the UK and locate these using an atlas. The children will develop their map reading skills by planning a route to a local landmark.

History

What is significant about the history of Nottingham?

Our History topic will focus on several key events in Nottingham history – the building of the castle, its importance as a royal castle, the site of the start of English Civil War, the Luddites and the burning of the castle and Samuel Morley’s role in the history of Nottingham.



Music

Pupils will use instruments to:

- combine rhythmic notation with note letter names.
- use layering and ostinato.
- perform their pieces.



French

This term the children will learn:

- colour words
- different fruits and foods
- numbers from 0 31
- to use the connective ‘et’ (and)

PE

Dance

Children will create dances in relation to an idea or stimuli.

Invasion Games: Tag Rugby

Children will develop skills and tactics to take part in team games.

Swimming

Swimming will take place **every Thursday**, beginning on 7th March (more details to follow). Children will focus on improving their confidence and coordination.

Religious Education

Journeys

The story of The Magi; The Kingdom of God; and that the Miracles of Jesus were signs that the Kingdom of God was beginning.



Choices

The importance of conscience in making choices

Giving all

Lent and Easter topic –
Remembering Jesus' giving during Lent and Easter

As part of the **Jubilee Year of Hope**, Year 3 will be raising awareness and supporting Nottingham Refugee Forum.



Art and DT

Building a linkage mechanism

Children will know what levers and linkages are. They will have a go at building one then apply their knowledge to design a colourful, exciting page for a pop-up book based on the class text, Outlaw.

Creating a healthy sandwich

Children will understand which foods are healthy and learn to use a 'claw grip' when handling a knife. They will plan, make, and evaluate their own healthy sandwich.

Computing

Systems and
Networks
&
Inside a computer



Science

In Lent 1 our topic is 'Movement and Feeding.' We will learn about nutrition and healthy eating and explore all the bones that make up our skeletons.

In Lent 2 our topic is, 'Light and Shadow.' We will undertake various investigations and look at how shadows are created.

Personal, Social and Health Education

We will be learning about 'Hazards in the Home': the dangers in our own environments and how to reduce risks, including staying safe around medicines.

We will be focusing on the British Value of Democracy, looking at the democratic system and learning how to write a speech.

As part of 'Safer Internet Day', we will learn the importance of keeping personal information private, identify strategies to keep safe online.

English

We will be reading 'Outlaw' by Michael Morpurgo.

Our writing focus for this half term will be a character description about Robin Hood and a persuasive leaflet inviting the reader to 'Join the Outlaws'.

After half term our focus will be a third person narrative describing Maid Marian's journey and the children will perform spoken poetry and a spoken narrative for World Book Week.



Our reading for pleasure books this term!