

Year 3

Pentecost Term

Miss Sweeney, Mrs Walsh, Miss Degasperi and Mrs Woodward

Please see Mrs Toner's newsletter for important upcoming dates

Monday 14th July – Year 3 visit Magna Science Adventure Centre – more details to follow

Maths

This term we will be focusing on the following maths units:

- Fractions
- Mass and Capacity
- Money
- Time
- Properties of Shape
- Statistics

Throughout the year, we will regularly practise key facts which will support children with their arithmetic skills. Please log on to Times Tables Rock Stars (login info is stuck in the back of your child's organisers) to practise 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 10 times tables.



Topic

Geography – The Mediterranean

In Pentecost 1, we will be comparing the European region of the Mediterranean with the UK. We will focus on the differences in climate and vegetation and look closely at the city of Bologna in Italy. We will compare the River Trent with the Po River and identify architectural features of both cities.

Geography – Brazil

In Pentecost 2, we will learn about the Geographical location of Brazil as well as the biodiversity of the Amazon River and Rainforest. We will also focus on human Geography aspects of Brazil e.g. tourism, climate change and poverty.

Religious Education



Listening and Sharing: Eucharist – Relating:

Listening to the Word of God and sharing Holy Communion

Special Places: Universal Church – World:

Special places for Jesus and the Christian community



Other Faiths – Sikhism and Islam.

Music

Children will learn to:



- compose a 4-bar notated rhythm and perform it.
- combine Call and Response, Improvisation, and Composition skills in one piece.
- perform at least one piece with confidence.
- extend their improvisation skills to be able to improvise on multiple notes on a tuned instrument.

Computing

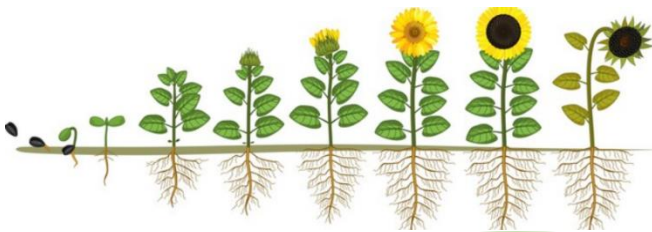


French

We will be understanding and responding to classroom instructions, as well as learning vocabulary for common classroom items.

Science

Over Pentecost we will be learning all about plants. We shall learn the names and functions of the parts of flowering plants, then investigate the best conditions for plant growth. We will also observe water transportation systems and learn how plants make their own food.



Personal, Social and Health Education

Pentecost 1 will focus on the difference between jobs and careers, wages, varying routes into work and our personal qualities.

Pentecost 2 will focus on ways we can define our personal identity. We will also discuss the opportunities and responsibilities that increased independence brings us.



English

In the first half-term, we will be learning about setting descriptions culminating in a piece all about Italian coastal villages. We will then move on to diary entries, using our class text 'The Secret Explorers and the Rainforest Rangers' as inspiration.

In the second half-term, we will be focusing on journey tales, as we travel along the Amazon River, which fits in perfectly with our Brazilian Geography topic! As well as writing a narrative, we will also be creating our very own free verse Rainforest poetry.

PE

Pentecost 1

- Tennis (Wednesday)
- Swimming (Thursday)

Pentecost 2

- Athletics (Wednesday)
- Swimming (Thursday)



Art and DT

In Pentecost 1, we will be looking at sewing! This includes learning a running stitch, creating our own designs based on the work of Lucienne Day and making a cushion for our book corner.

During Pentecost 2, we will be working with the mediums of collage and print. We'll study Henri Rousseau and compare his paintings to those of Irene Guerreiro.