

What will I be doing at school this term?

An overview of some of the work being carried out in Year 3 this term.

In Literacy we will be:

- Using the movie 'Tangled' and 'The Secret of Moonacre' as the inspiration for our writing.
- Examining newspaper reports and informative pieces of writing.
- Creating biographies and autobiographies.
- Looking at images in poems and working on rhyme and rhythm.
- Looking at characters, story structures, plots and settings.
- We will have daily reading and grammar strategy sessions.
- Develop comprehension skills by looking at a range of texts and answering questions.
- Improving our drama and speaking skills through rehearsal and performance of 'The Giant Slayer'.

In Numeracy we will be:

- Understanding place value of numbers.
- To develop different addition, subtraction, multiplication and division techniques that we can apply independently.
- To develop mental strategies to solve everyday problems.
- To tell the time – o'clock, quarter past, half past and quarter to.
- To understand how data can be presented differently, and how it is read and interpreted.
- To name and understand the properties of 3D shapes.
- To order fractions and understand the relationship between fractions and division.

In R.E. our topics will be:

- Local Church – the children will explore a journey through a year.
- They will learn about the Christian family's journey with Jesus' through the Church's year.
- Eucharist- We will explore giving and receiving, and living in communion with Christ.
- Lent / Easter – The children will learn that Lent and Holy Week is a time of giving in different ways and remembering the total giving of Jesus.
- They learn that Lent is a time to remember Jesus' total giving and how we can take inspiration and give ourselves.

In Science our topics include:

- Rocks and Soils – Looking at the structure of the earth.
- Exploring how volcanoes work.
- Understanding fossils and sorting different types of rocks.
- Plants – Children will learn how to identify and describe the functions of different parts of a plant.
- They will explore what plants require for life and growth.
- They will understand the part a flower plays in the life cycle of plants.
- Children investigate the way in which water is transported within plants.

In History we will be:

- The children will be learning about the Greeks and their different myths and legends.

- They will be learning about the Olympics, gods and crafts.

In Geography we will be:

- The children will be learning how to use and read maps.
- They will learn the points of a compass and the location of Great Britain.
- The children will learn the location of Basildon and study the different areas that make Basildon unique.

In Music we will be:

- Exploring rhythm in music and after half term.
- Learning the songs for our school production of 'Giant Slayer'.

In DT/Art our topic will be:

- Photo Frames – They will evaluate existing photo frames before designing and making their own.
- In art the children will learn about colour mixing and different painting skills

Spanish

- The children will be learning the days of the week and months of the year.
- They will also be learning and revising colours.

We hope every child has a wonderful and enjoyable term.

Mrs. Setter and Miss McGhie.