Year 3
Advent term
2017



Curriculum Information

Creative Curriculum

"The Stone Age to Iron Age"

Our focus is on Early Man and life in Britain before the Roman Conquest. This will include looking at the job of an archaeologist and finding evidence of life in the past. History, Geography, Art and Design Technology and some Literacy will form our creative curriculum.

English

Reading and Writing

Instruction text; Biographies, Poetry; Dialogue and Plays; Reports.

Spelling: To use the Read Write Inc. spelling programme.

Literacy Skills: To understand the function of verbs in sentences, to use basic punctuation marks, and to structure sentences correctly.

Mathematics

The children will practise, on a daily basis, oral and mental skills such as counting, mental strategies, rapid recall of number facts, etc. Units of work will include securing number facts, understanding shapes, counting, portioning and calculating. It is essential that your child knows their times tables by heart and can recall them at speed.

Science

Light and shadows:

This unit focuses on the relationship between light, an object and the formation of shadows. The apparent movement of the sun and the associated changes of shadows.

Forces and magnets:

We will hold a 'Science Week' in the second half of the term, focussing on the forces of magnetism and gravity. The children will continue to build on their skills to plan and evaluate fair tests.

Information Technology

Programming. Creating code and debugging them to guide Angry Birds, Robots and creating a simple game using Scratch.

Physical Education

Swimming: (3TB St James only this term) The children will learn to enjoy being in water and become more confident. They learn how to keep afloat, move in the water, meet challenges and breathe when swimming. As they develop their skills they will focus on swimming more fluently, improving their swimming strokes, and learning personal survival techniques.

Dance:

The children will learn to perform dance routines using a range of movement patterns.

French

Moi:

We will learn how to greet each other and introduce ourselves.

Games and Songs:

Numbers and directions will be taught through French songs and games

Homework

Homework will be set every week. Your child will be expected to read every day at home. They will be expected to use the Times Table Rock Stars website to help memorise their times tables and complete a Maths activity.

You will need to make sure your child has a pencil and a ruler to use at home. A small dictionary would also be useful. Please be prepared to support your child with any homework activities and check their answers with them. Most children will also need help with learning their spellings and times tables.

Daily Reading

Your child will bring home a reading book which they are expected to read to an adult. The reading books need to be changed daily and can only be changed if their reading record has been signed by an adult to show that they have been heard at home.