

## Year 3 Curriculum Overview Spring Term 2021

### English

This term, we will be looking at a variety of texts including Fiction - story writing and myths, and non-fiction - instructions. We will also be focusing on spelling rules and grammar. Children will take part in daily guided reading sessions which focus on their understanding of a variety of texts. We will regularly practice joined handwriting and correct letter formation. Speaking and listening skills will be developed through the texts used. Children will be expected to read every day at home and will be heard in school on a regular basis. Every afternoon children will enjoy listening to our Class Reader Text.

### Maths

This term the children will be covering a range of units, these are:

- Multiplication and Division
- Money
- Statistics
- Length and Perimeter
- Fractions

### PSHE

In PSHE we will be...

#### **JOINING IN AND JOINING UP**

- Needs and responsibilities
- Participation
- Local democracy
- Voluntary groups
- Fund raising

#### **DARING TO BE DIFFERENT?**

- Identity and self-esteem
- Difference and diversity
- Peer influence and assertiveness

### PE

Children will have two P.E lessons each, one indoor session and one outdoor session. In gymnastics on a Thursday, the children will be focusing on developing their balancing techniques, body shape and travelling sequences both on the floor and the apparatus. In athletics, the children will develop the range and quality of their skills when taking part in athletic activities including running, throwing and catching and jumping, with a focus on netball skills and racket skills.

### RE

The children will be exploring human nature. What are we made of? Do we have a 'spiritual' nature? What are the most worthy human characteristics? How might communities of different sorts help us make the most of life? Pupils explore some of the stories of Christianity, Judaism and Islam in their search to develop and deepen their own understanding of what may be most important in life. Our focus questions are: How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Jew and a Muslim?

### Learning Challenge Curriculum:

#### What makes the Earth Angry?

Over this half term we will be looking at volcanoes, tsunamis, earthquakes and rocks.

We will be discussing the science behind a volcanic eruption and hopefully seeing if we can recreate an erupting volcano. As well as looking at how volcanoes impact on people's lives around the world. Afterwards we will be looking at extreme weathers in different countries using dance, drama and music to investigate tsunamis. We will also be exploring the different properties of rocks and their uses.

### MFL

This term we will work on two units:

1. All About Me, where we will learn parts of the body, clothes and colours.
2. Food Glorious Food, where we will learn the names of foods and how to ask for them, also how to say what we do and do not like.

### Computing

In computing the unit gives children a chance to focus on their typing skills, following a touch typing program which enables children to type with ease and fluency. We will also explore the program 'scratch' where the children will learn to program.