

Writing

★**Balanced Argument**- The children will be writing a non-fiction piece of text. We will be looking at a range of arguments such as 'Is brektime important?'

★**Narrative** - We will be writing an adventure story linked with the Polar Express

Science

Practical skills -

Using scientific skills such as observations over time, fair testing, comparing and accurate measurements.

Art & Computing

Art and Computing are taught in PPA time by specialist teachers. This term in Art we will be looking at the artist Monet and using watercolours. In computing we are looking at how to keep ourselves safe online.

Geography

Villages, Towns and cities - Where are all the world's people? What is a settlement? What affects where people live? How are settlements shaped? What makes up a city? How are cities and villages different places to live?

RE

Concept: Holy
Focus: Christianity
Unit: Angels

PE

In PE we will be focusing on the skills to play basketball. The children will learn how to throw and catch the ball, dribble and using pivot to support play.

Year 3
Autumn term 2

PSHE

★**Celebrating Difference** -

I understand that everybody's family/the people who care for me.

I understand that differences and conflicts sometimes happen among family members.

I know what it means to be a witness to bullying.

Maths

- Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits, using formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction
- Estimate the answer to a calculation and use inverse operations to check answers
- Solve problems, including missing number problems, using number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction.
- Multiplication and division

Reading

- Picture book – Sophie Scott goes South.
 - Picture book – Antarctica.
- Picture book – The Polar Express.

Reading lessons include a mixture of activities including drama, inference, vocabulary tasks, practice paper questions and general comprehension.

Music

This term we are focussing on singing . We will be also developing our performance skills through our singing in the Nativity show.

French

Les Animaux - animals

Things to explore with your child!

PE:

Our PE days are Tuesday and Friday.
Please leave PE kits in school all week.

Home Learning:

Please find attached a range of optional home learning projects for your child to choose from.

These are due in the week beginning 9th December.

Their finished piece/pieces will be celebrated during the last week of half-term and presented to the class.

Home Reading:

Your child needs to be reading at home on a regular basis. This can be reading independently, to an adult or sibling, or being read to.

Children should be reading at home at least 3 times a week.

Remember to use Accelerated Reader to quiz your books. The school library is open everyday after school until 3:30PM.

Homework:

Weekly homework will go out on Friday and is due in the following Wednesday. Please can homework be returned on the Wednesday, to give teachers a chance to mark it before the Friday. Well done to everyone that has completed homework so far.

Maths:

Whilst at home, encourage children to use their maths skills and practice times tables. In school we will be introducing the children to a programme called Rockstars which we also encourage to be used at home. Log in details and more information will follow.

Events

Year 3 will be performing in a Christmas Nativity-there will be two performances, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon. More information will follow. Dates are 9th & 11th December 2024.

We will also be doing a 'Polar express day' in school where the children will be invited to come to school in their pyjamas for a lovely Christmasy day. More detail to follow

Useful websites and resources:

There is a whole list of useful links on the school website which can be found at:

<https://www.meonjuniorschool.org.uk/learn-with-us/links-for-learning/>



HOME LEARNING PROJECT IDEAS

Make a poster or PowerPoint about how different countries celebrate Christmas.

Take a walk in your local area, can you create a field sketch for what you see?

Plan and design your own village.
Think about what you will need - e.g. shops, roads, pavements, homes, schools.

Create a family tree.

Create your own version of a Monet painting using paints or a medium of your choice.