

Year 3 Newsletter

Lent Term 2020

English

During this term, we will firstly focus on **Autobiographies** and **Biographies**. We will be looking at an **All About Me** title for our autobiography and a sportsperson for our biographies. In our second topic this term, we will focus on **'Imaginary worlds'**; we will be reading the story *Fantastic Mr Fox* by Roald Dahl. We will create our own stories, focussing on the structure of our writing, describing a setting and punctuating direct speech. During our topic of **Non-fiction – Letters**, we will be focusing on formal and informal letters and we will write a persuasive letter.

Religious Education

This term we will be exploring the three topics of **Journeys**, **Listening and Sharing and Energy**. We will discuss what a journey is and the children will reflect on their own journeys with God. We will also be discussing the Liturgical calendar. In the Listening and Sharing topic, we will be looking at the two parts of the Eucharist: The Liturgy of The Word and The Liturgy of the Eucharist. In our final topic, we will be reflecting and learning about Lent and Holy Week as a time of giving in different ways and remembering the total giving of Jesus.

Mathematics

During this term, the children will be focusing on the topics of multiplication, division and their inverse. They will recognise time on a 12 and 24 hour digital and analogue clock, including Roman Numerals. The children will also be carrying out reasoning and word problems.

Topic

The children will be exploring the topic Stone Age through to Iron Age. We will be looking at the settlement at Skara Brae and the landowner William Watt and what it teaches us about civilisation at this time. We will discuss what a hillfort is and introduce the Druids. In our topic **Continents, Countries and Cities**, the children will identify the countries within the continent of Europe, name and locate cities in the UK and identify the counties within England. We will also focus on where food comes from and create recipes from around Europe and the UK.

Important notes

Please ensure that your child has the correct items of clothing for their P.E. lessons. This should include a plain white top, blue/black shorts, black plimsolls and trainers. Navy/black track-suits can be worn during the winter. Please ensure that every part of your child's P.E. uniform is clearly labelled with their name and class.

3M – Wednesday and Thursday

3P – Monday and Thursday/Wednesday

Passport tasks are set for the year and three need to be completed half-termly. They will be handed in on the Monday of the last week of each half term (10th February and 30th March). Maths homework will be set on a Wednesday, using the www.mymaths.co.uk website and needs to be finished weekly for the following Monday

How can you help at home?

We kindly ask that you support your child at home by reading with them on a regular basis and discussing the different types of texts that they have read. You may also support your child with their homework by discussing the tasks given and the ideas they wish to include, but please remind your child that the work should then be completed independently.

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