## **Y3 Autumn 1 Half Termly Overview for Parents and Carers**





This half term we will be learning the following things. Here are also some useful hints and tips for helping at home.

	At School	At Home
English	In English we will be:	<ul> <li>Encourage your child to read independently at least four times a week, even better if reading is done daily!</li> <li>Read with and to your child to promote a love of reading</li> <li>Look at recipes and other forms of instructions at home. What text features can children identify?</li> </ul>
Maths	In maths we will be learning:  Multiplication and division facts for the 4 times table  To represent, partition, compare and order numbers to 1,000  To count in 50s	<ul> <li>Practise the 4 times table</li> <li>Use TT Rock Stars and Numbots apps</li> </ul>
Science	In our Light topic we will be:  ◆ Learning the science model of light energy  ◆ Exploring reflection and shadows  ◆ Investigating different materials and their levels of transparency and opacity	<ul> <li>◆ Can children explain what light is and where it comes from?</li> <li>◆ Can children identify materials that are reflective and explain what this means?</li> </ul>
Geography	In our local area study 'What community do we live in?' we will:  Look at where our town is located in relation to the wider world  Learn what a community is and what jobs people do within this  Explore why Stewart Park is an important feature in our community	<ul> <li>Look at and discuss maps of our local area and town together.</li> <li>Discuss changes to the local area you have seen in your lifetime and talk about them with your child.</li> </ul>
Art	In Art, we will be making gestural drawings with charcoal. During this topic we will learn:  ◆ That when we draw we can use the expressive marks we make to create a sense of drama  ◆ That when we draw we can move around  ◆ That when we draw we can use light to make our subject matter more dramatic, and we can use the qualities f the material to capture the drama	◆ Can children talk about artists who have inspired our artwork?
Music	Our topic is 'Writing Music Down' and we will be learning:  That rhythm and pitch sounds can be represented by musical symbols  How music can bring people together	Can your child talk about their favourite music and why they like it?

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	At School	At Home
P.S.H.E.	Our next PSHE topic is Being Me In My World. During this we will learning to:  ◆ Set personal goals and face new challenges positively  ◆ Understand why rules are needed and how they relate to rights and responsibilities  ◆ Understand that actions affect others and ourselves  ◆ See things from different points of view	<ul> <li>◆ Set some personal goals together</li> <li>◆ Make/recap house rules and discuss why they are needed. What would happen if there were no rules at home?</li> </ul>
R.E.	In R.E. children will explore the question "Why is the Bible important for Christians today?":  ◆ Learn about which stories are special to Christians and why  ◆ Investigate what we can learn from sacred books  ◆ Explore whether living biblically means obeying the whole Bible	◆ Can children identify important stories and explain their significance?
P.E.	In P.E. this half term our topic is tag rugby. Learning will focus on:  Teamwork and effective communication Passing and intercepting techniques	◆ Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise.
Computing	In computing, children will be completing the unit of "Coding" from Purple Mash:  Understand what a flowchart is and how they are used in computer programming  Understand and use timers and repeat commands  Use their coding knowledge to create a range of programs	♦ Use the 2code program on Purple Mash website at home to consolidate learning in class.
French	This half term, children will be:  ◆ Getting to know a bit more about France; the people, places, music and culture.  ◆ Revising how to greet different people correctly in French  ◆ Learning some instructions that we can respond to in the classroom.	<ul> <li>◆ Can you child greet you in French?</li> <li>◆ Can your child talk confidently about France?</li> </ul>
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