










Y3 Spring 2 Half Termly Overview for Parents and Carers

Ready. Respectful. Safe.



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	<p>In English we will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing a poem and given the opportunity to perform it. Writing an entertaining character description. Writing a persuasive advert. Our class text for reading lessons will be 'The Castle of Inside Out' by David Henry Wilson. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage your child to read independently at least four times a week, even better if reading is done daily! Read with and to your child to promote a love of reading. Practise weekly spelling patterns.
Maths	<p>In Maths we will be learning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measure in metres and centimetres. Compare lengths. Multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5, 10, 4 and 8 times table. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practise the 2, 5, 10, 4 and 8 times tables Use TT Rock Stars and Numbots apps. 
Science	<p>In our 'Animals, Including humans' topic we will be learning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If an animal cannot make their own food, they get nutrition from what they eat. The human body has different systems to survive. The skeleton is a system, which acts as a frame to support and protect the body and allow movement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can children talk to you about a balanced diet? Can children show you where different bones in their bodies are? 
History	<p>In our Ancient Egyptian topic we will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Burial rituals, including mummification. Why Pharaohs were mummified. Who Tutankhamun was. What the achievements of the Ancient Egyptians were. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can children talk about mummification and why the Ancient Egyptians did it? Can children tell you facts about Tutankhamun?
Art	<p>In Art, we will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making our own Ancient Egyptian Art. Drawing Ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics. Creating a clay tile and use different tools to experiment with mark-making. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss together hieroglyphics, why were they so significant? Can children draw some hieroglyphics and tell you what they mean?
Music	<p>In Music children we are beginning to learn 'The Dragon Song' by Joanna Mangona and Pete Readman. We will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practising pulse, rhythm and pitch. Create their own performance to the song. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can the children recite the song to you at home? 

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P.S.H.E.	<p>Our next PSHE topic is 'Healthy Me'. During this we will learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand how exercise affects the body and why the heart and lungs are so important. Identify when something feels safe or unsafe and learn strategies to keep themselves safe. Understand how complex the body is and the importance of taking care of it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with your child the importance of keeping healthy. Can you tell your child ways that they can keep safe and what you do/implement at home to keep them safe? If you would like access to the PSHE lessons for this half term in more detail, please contact us and we can provide you
R.E.	<p>In R.E. children will explore the question "What do people pray?"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can children express their own ideas about praying to you? 
P.E.	<p>In P.E. this half term our topics are tennis and cricket. Learning will focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning the rules and skills of both sports. Use their learning to show different techniques during game time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise. 
Computing	<p>In computing, children will be programming events and actions in programs such as 'Scratch Jr'.</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the Purple Mash website at home to consolidate learning in class, practicing computing skills.
Latin	<p>This half term, children will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing Latin words, phrases and sentences to communicate meaning; Developing an appreciation of the Latin language and culture. Developing an understanding of etymology and the relevance of this and the words we use in modern English. Increasing their knowledge and understanding of English grammar and spelling. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss any vocabulary your child has learnt.
Useful Websites	<p> trockstars.com play.numbots.com www.purplemash.com Google Y3 BBC Bitesize for English, Maths, Science, GPS and much more </p>	