

## Year 3 Newsletter: Summer 1

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back - we hope the children had a fantastic Easter break. Below is an outline of our planned curriculum for this half term.

### **Maths**

In Maths, Year 3 will be finalising learning on measuring in litres and ml and adding and subtracting volumes. Children will then move onto securing knowledge around fractions, including adding and subtracting fractions, partitioning, and calculating fractions of amounts. Towards the end of Summer 1, we will then move onto conducting learning around money, including converting pounds and pence, and calculating change.

### **English**

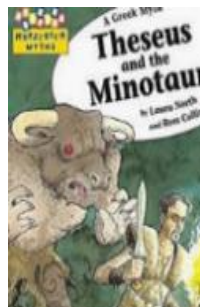
In English this half term, Year 3 will be writing our very own myths based on Theseus and the Minotaur. We will analyse the structure of this narrative and use this to create our own version. Pupils will create characters, setting and narrative, thinking carefully about the purpose, audience and type of writing. The children will use expanded noun phrases in their writing to enhance description.

### **History**

Our history topic is Ancient Greece. We will find out what life was like during this time, study some of the Greek Gods and reflect on events which originated in Ancient Greece.

### **Spanish**

In Spanish, we will continue to learn the different phonic sounds whilst exploring the vocabulary for different fruits and ice-cream.



### **Science**

In science, our topic is Muscles and Skeletons. Throughout this topic, pupils will learn about skeletons and muscles and how different body parts have specific functions. We will explore different types of skeletons, thinking about how they support movement and protection. Children will learn how the human body grows, the names of different body parts and their function.

### **Computing**

In computing, we are using the desktop computers to practise using software such as Microsoft Word and Publisher. We will practise skills such as typing, changing font and editing text. We will then apply these skills by producing a magazine or invitation.

### **Music**

In Music, we are learning a variety of different songs focusing on their patterns and rehearsing them. Children will listen to and appraise songs and link these to instruments.

### **PSHE**

We are learning about 'Relationships'. This includes learning about bullying and how to respond to being a victim or witness to bullying. This links in with computing as we will be covering online safety.

### **Design Technology**

Year 3 will design and create Medusa masks. The children will use papier mache to create a mask and they will use various resources to decorate them.

### **PE**

In P.E, we will be focusing sports day preparation. Children will learn the importance of physical activity and how this links to mental wellbeing. Pupils will also develop running, jumping and throwing skills by conducting a range of activities. They will have the opportunity to reflect on their performances thinking of ways they can improve and develop their skills further.

### **Our' Place in 'Our' World.**

Children will learn the importance of British Values. We will explore the value of democracy and pupils will be encouraged to share their views about the world we live in. We will develop our knowledge of equality and how people should be treated fairly.

### **Aspiring Entrepreneurs**

We will learn the importance of having a growth mind-set when faced with difficult tasks. In P.E, children will learn problem solving strategies through scenario based learning.

### **Healthy and Happy Living**

Year 3 will learn the importance of having healthy relationships in our PHSE topic. They will learn strategies to support their wellbeing and to raise concerns if they feel unsafe or uncared for.

### **Inquisitive Investigators**

In Science, Year 3 will compare human skeletons to animal skeletons. Children will investigate similarities/differences and present their findings in a table.

### **Important information:**

- For this half term, Year 3 PE lessons will take place every Monday and Thursday. Please ensure that your child comes to school already dressed in their PE kit, which they will wear for the full day.
- Your child will read with an adult in school on a 1:1 basis so please ensure that their book bag is in school **every day**. This book will then be sent home to complete or to be re-read and will be at your child's reading level.
- Please send your child to school with a named water bottle. This will be stored in the classroom, where it can be easily accessed.
- If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher via the main school office.

Thank you for your continued support,

Year 3 Team (Mr Marchant, Mr Waring and Miss Morris)