

Year 3
Spring 1

Rotten Romans

Understanding our Health and Well-Being

PE: We will be developing our fitness, strength and aiming skills this term with indoor athletics while also learning Country and Western dancing in Dance lessons

PSHCE: Dreams and Goals. We will set ourselves goals and plan how we can achieve them.

Understanding the World

Geography: We will learn about natural disasters and how to prepare for a volcano eruption. We will learn survival techniques and how natural disasters can impact the lives of others.

History: We will explore Roman history by learning about key people and events. We will explore the role of different people on Roman society, including Roman Soldiers.

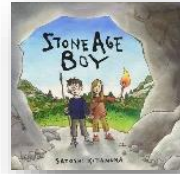
RE: Identity and Belonging - Belonging to a family, a community; challenges and religious leadership.

Spanish: We will learn how to name fruit, vegetables and explain our likes/dislikes in Spanish.



English

We will be exploring the book 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura this half term and learning all about historical fiction. We will look at different features of this book including characters, setting and dialogue. We will then create a historical story based on the Stone Age. We will continue to use the story to support the deepening of Year 3 grammar, spelling and creative writing skills. We will then use all of these skills to help us write our own version of the story.



Handwriting: We will have daily handwriting sessions that will teach the children correct letter formation, joins and how to use a pen correctly.



Reading: We will be reading the story 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. We will be making predictions; clarify vocabulary by exploring meanings of words; retrieving and recording key information and explaining main events and drawing inferences from evidence.



Spellings: We will continue to consolidate our phonics knowledge through Guided reading sessions and learn Year 3 spellings weekly.

Understanding Arts and Culture

Art: We will create volcano prints by explore printing techniques through the work of Hokusai. We will also look at the life of Hokusai and explore a variety of his work and people that he has influenced.

Music: We will begin to use our exciting new Music curriculum to learn how to follow beats, rhythm and tempo. We will also sing songs in harmony and create our own short musical pieces.

Desert class will be learning to play the violin this term.

Maths

We will begin the term by learning more of our multiplication facts to help us with formal methods of multiplication and division later on in the term. We will also begin to explore shape and measure as we move towards the second half of the term. We will continue to learn our times tables and use TTrackstars to consolidate learning and improve speed and



Fluency: During fluency sessions, we will address any gaps in learning whilst also overlearning or deepening the children's understanding of key concepts. These sessions will be quick games and lots of fun for everyone but are vital for the children's learning and retention of important areas of mathematics.

Understanding Science and Technology

Science: In Science, we will learn about Rocks and soils to support our knowledge of the Earth and compliment our learning in Geography. We will investigate properties of different rocks and soils, as well as create our own class worm farms.

DT: We will create our own moving Vesuvius puppets using linkages and pivot points.

Computing: We will be learning how to use animation to convey a short story or sequence of events.

“Learn. Believe. Achieve.”



Our School Values: Resilient, Persistent, Self-Motivated, Risk-Takers, Creative, Good Citizens, Entrepreneurial

It is Spring term! The term for all of the Year 3 classes to create their class assemblies and we hope the weather gets a little warmer for more outside fun.

We also welcome Miss Allan to the Year 3 team and I am sure you will all get an opportunity to get to know her better over the next few terms. She has joined us to teach in Desert class but don't worry, we haven't lost Mrs Williams! She is still very much part of our team in Year 3.

Homework: *Homework and spellings will be set every Friday, as it has been last term. We will send a Marvellous Me message to you to let you know that homework has been set each week.*

Reading: *We ask that children in Year 3 read their books for a short time each night and we will read with the children regularly throughout the week at school. Please don't forget to write their efforts in their reading record so we can reward them at school for fantastic home reading.*

As always, please see the Class Teacher if you have and concerns or questions about school and we will be happy to help you.

Mrs Sinclair (Savannah Class and Year Group Leader)

Miss Adeniji (Rainforest Class)

Miss Allan (Desert Class)