

Lights, Camera and Festive Magic!

Year 3
Autumn 2

Understanding the World

History: We will begin our extended history project, learning about the Romans. We will study who the romans were, how they contributed to the United Kingdom and why they invaded Britain. We will also learn about key historical figures such as Boudicca and Emperor Septimus Severus.

RE: We will be exploring traditions and events during Diwali and Christmas. As we move closer to Christmas, we will look at how Christmas is celebrated around the world and the significance of light within these festivals.



Spanish: We will continue to learn colours and numbers before how to say a range of animals in Spanish.

Understanding our Health and Well-Being

PE: We continue to learn how to perform a sequence of movements related to our play and develop our dance skills.

PSHCE: We will be learning about 'celebrating differences' as well as our weekly assembly topics.



We will be exploring '*Winters Child*' this half term and learning all about fables. We will look at different features of this book including characters, setting and dialogue. We will then create a fantasy story based on a fable, using the skills we have looked at and practised while reading this book.

We will also be reading '*Ice Palace*' sequencing the story and summarising key events in the story. We will identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning while focusing on reading with fluency and expression.



Spells: We will continue to consolidate our phonics knowledge using Monster phonics. We will address any gaps in learning and assess their understanding of High Frequency words too. We will continue to work on Year 3 superhero spellings.



Understanding Arts and Culture

Drama: We will practise performing our play, "Something Funny Happened on the Way to Camelot!"

DT: We will experiment creating shadow puppets using linkages.

Maths

Number: We will continue to work hard to secure our understanding of 3 digit numbers, especially when adding and subtracting. We will then move on to finding compliments to 100, estimating amounts and using inverse operations to check our answers.



We will also have a greater focus on learning our timetables, finding patterns that might help us and working really hard on our recall using TTRockstars. Look out for a new pair of facts each week in your homework!

Fluency: During fluency sessions, we will address any gaps in that still remain 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: Our new Science topic this term is light. We will learn about light sources, reflection, shadows and how light passes through different materials.

Computing: We will use Google Slides to create a multimedia newsletter, developing our skills using software and using images and text.

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for...

Our fabulously
festive performance.

“Learn. Believe. Achieve.”



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

We can't quite believe that it is the Christmas term already! This is always one of the busiest and most fun terms of the year. This year will be busier than ever!! Year 3 will perform their Christmas performance LIVE on stage, Christmas dinner day will be a highlight, as will



Christmas Jumper Day, Elf Day and a trip to the Panto!

Before we get to Christmas, we also will take part in our annual remembrance service.

Homework: Homework and spellings and times tables will be in the children's **homework books** every Friday and needs to be handed in by the Wednesday after.

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 any concerns or questions about school and we will be happy to help you.

Mr Spendlove (Savannah Class Teacher, Year 3 Leader)

Mrs Hostler (Rainforest Class Teacher)

Miss McBride (Desert Class Teacher)