

Class 3 Newsletter Term 1

This term's core value is Aspiration

English



In English this term, our first writing focus is based on the book Leon and the Place Between. We will be creating a persuasive poster, writing a setting description and diary. The final piece of writing will be our own fantastic magical fantasy story!

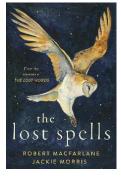
The second book we will be using this term to inspire our writing is The Heart and the Bottle. We will be looking at the word classes, conjunctions and commas. Our final piece of writing will be writing a



dilemma story. This book covers the topic of loss, which we discuss and support children with. If you have any questions please email me.

Class book

This term our class novel will be the beautiful poetry book The Lost Spells. We will be reading daily and completing activities in our guided reading time. Activities include, predicting, spelling, grammar, inferring and many more!





Spelling

Each week we will be looking at a new spelling pattern. This is then taught and reinforced each day. We also look at the Year 3 and 4 spelling words during our handwriting and reading sessions.

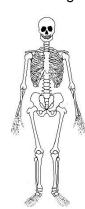
Maths

We will cover the following topics:

- Read and write numbers up to 1000.
- Find 10 or 100 more or less.
- Count in multiples of 50 and 100.
- Count Backwards.
- Round whole numbers and decimal numbers.
- Times Tables (with divisions)
- Fluency and confidence in problem solving

Science

Our first science topic of the year is skeletons! We will be identifying and naming different bones in the human body and what their function is. We will also be comparing human skeletons and animal skeletons, noticing the differences and similarities.



Enrichment

Nature walk

Harvest festival

Open classroom

Geography / History

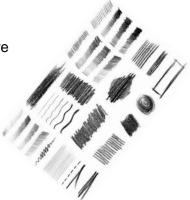
We will learn the following:

- Compass points
- Grid references
- Ordinance maps and symbols
- Settlements
- The water cycle

Art / Design & Technology

We will learn the following:

- Observation skills
- Shading and texture
- Still life drawing
- Pneumatics
- Toy design





This term our learning will be focused around the question 'What is it like to follow God?'

We will be looking at the Bibles stories of Noah and Abraham; making links between the stories and what they tell us about following God. While looking at the stories we will also be discussing what faith and promises mean and how this is reflected in different communities.



PE will be taught on Tuesday and Thursday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit.

We will be learning tennis and football.

How you can help:

- Ensure that your child reads a wide range of texts, both fiction and non-fiction. We would expect that children read each night, either to an adult, or to themselves.
- Discuss with your child what they have read and read to them.
- Practise number bonds and times tables as often as possible your child should recall these quickly without needing to count on their fingers.
- Allow your child time to access Times Tables Rockstars, Hit the Button and Spelling Shed if possible.
 - https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button
- Practice weekly spelling words (can be found on Google Classroom or on the school website)

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.