



# Colliers Green Church of England Primary School

## Class 3 Newsletter Term 4

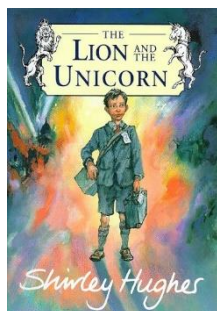
*This term's core value is Aspiration*

### English

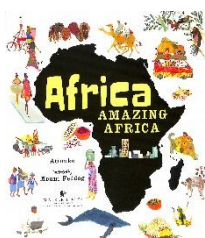


Our first book this term is called *Small in the City* by Sydney Smith. This beautiful picture book will show children that sometimes we can all feel overwhelmed and provides wonderful opportunities for discussions. We will make predictions about the text, have debates and write a letter of advice to the main character.

The second book that we will be reading is *The Lion and The Unicorn* by Shirley Hughes. This story is filled with courage and compassion set in World War Two. We will use the text to inspire our diary entries, setting descriptions and a non-chronological report.



### Guided Reading



This term our guided reading book is *Africa, Amazing Africa* by Atinuke. We will be reading daily and completing activities in our guided reading time. Our second guided reading book is *How Does a Lighthouse work?* By Roman Belyaev.

### 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

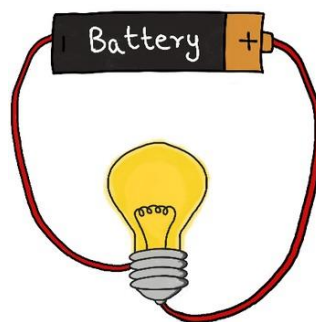
We will cover the following topics:

- Area and perimeter
- Unit and non-unit fractions
- Tenths
- Equivalent fractions
- Adding and subtracting fractions
- Fractions of a quantity
- Times Tables (with divisions)
- Fluency and confidence in problem solving



### Science

This term, we will be learning about electricity! Throughout the term we will be looking at where electricity comes from and how we use it in our homes. We will be making simple circuits using



batteries, bulbs and wires. Children will also learn about staying safe around electricity. Towards the end of the topic we will be designing and testing our own switches!

### Enrichment

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World Book day

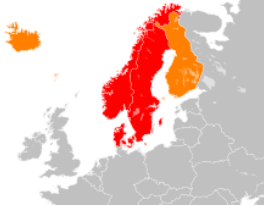
Red Nose Day/ Comic Relief

World Poetry Day

## Geography and History

We will learn the following:

- Who was Boudicca?
- What was the South East like during the Romans?
- Why and how did the Roman Empire fall?
- Where is Scandinavia?
- What are the physical features of Scandinavia?
- What is the climate and weather in Scandinavia?
- What are the environmental challenges and conservation efforts in Scandinavia?



## Art and Design & Technology

We will learn the following:

- Utilise skills to build a complex structure from simple geometric shapes to finish their castles.
- Use their science knowledge to build a simple circuit with a bulb.
- Create a poster which incorporates a light feature.



## Religious Education

This term our learning will be focused around the question 'Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'?'

At the end of the term, children will be able to order key events in the Bible including, Creation and Fall, incarnation, the Gospel and Salvation. We will also be looking at and describing how Christians show their beliefs about Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday in worship. Throughout the term, each RE lesson will be supported with stories and passages from the Bible.

## PE

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

The Topics this term are tag rugby and dance.

## 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>

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

Miss Potts