

English

Throughout the Spring Term, we will be focusing on a range of genres through which we will continue to develop our drafting and editing skills to compose our own original work. We will write a number of fictional stories as well as perform and draft our own poetry inspired by the poet Benjamin Zephaniah. Our ability to write from different perspectives will be developed through our work on recounts, and towards the end of the term, we will also be learning how to write a playscript linked to our work on the Stone Age!



Maths

During our Maths lessons this term, Year 3 will be focusing on developing our understanding of measurement and fractions. We will also be exploring different formal and informal strategies to multiply and divide. We will be setting a range of challenges each lesson and developing the children's ability to reason and explain their answers. Alongside these areas of study, we will continue to focus on key mathematical facts including times tables and conversions.



PE

The children have two PE lessons each week. This term we will be focusing on developing our ball control skills in hockey and tennis. As well as handling and exploring equipment in gymnastics. Additionally, children create their own dances inspired by the historical explorers.



Computing

This term, the children will develop their word processing skills using Word and Publisher as well as learning new coding skills by programming their own music machine using Scratch.



Year 3 Spring Term



Back to the Stone Age!

Design Technology

Year 3 will be designing and making a moving vehicle. The children will learn how to safely and accurately use a variety of tools and learn how to work with a range of materials.



Art

Linked to our historical study this term we will be focusing on the stimulus of ancient fossils. The children will create a fossil design using chalk and charcoal to show line and pattern. We will also explore making 3D clay sculptures of our original designs.



MFL - French

This term we will be extending our oral and written vocabulary within the topic areas of classroom objects and animal names. We will be starting to write in French a range of sentences.



Music

This term Year 3 will be learning how to play African drums. The children will gain knowledge about the origins of the djembe drum, the different sounds it can make and how to play a variety of rhythms. Also, we will learn a range of Africa songs.



PSHE

We will be focusing on 'Health and Wellbeing'. The children will be learning about health and safety including when crossing the road. This unit will include a lesson from our award winning JRSO Team.



Science

During our Science lessons, we will be looking at different types of rocks and how they are formed. We will also be growing our own plants and exploring the conditions which they need to survive. The children will be working scientifically through a range of practical investigations to develop their key skills including how to plan and carry out a fair test.



Religious Education

We will be covering the religious concept of 'Good & Evil' within different parables and the religious celebration of Holi in Hinduism. Towards the end of the term, we will be exploring the various concepts within the Christian Easter story.



History

We will be learning about what life was like during the Stone Age all the way through to the Iron Age! We will then use this knowledge to prepare for our trip to Butser Ancient Farm where we will be taking part in a range of practical activities related to this exciting historical period.

