

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year! We are looking forward to a New Year of learning in Year Three. This half term our main topic is 'Pirates'. Where possible, all of your child's learning will be linked to this subject. Below is a topic map outlining the areas of learning we intend to cover this term. A copy of this document can also be found on our website. **Swimming lessons** will take place on Tuesdays and **PE lessons** this year will take place on **Fridays**. Homework will be set every Monday on MS Teams and other websites such as MyMaths or Purple Mash. Thank you.

Ms Thompson and Ms Rossi- Class teachers

MATHS

This term, we will start by learning about Numbers and place value.

We will read, write, compare (using < and > signs) and order numbers to 200, in numerals **and** words.

We will also be working on Addition, including missing number problems using knowledge of place value.

Solve one-step addition word problems which involve the above; extend with two-step problems.

We will also be working on examples that require reasoning about addition e.g. True or false? The sum of three odd numbers is always an odd number. How do you know?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In RE we will be learning about 'The Christian Family'. We will be learning about our own families and the 'Holy Family', and the Family of the Church. The Sacrament of Baptism will be our focus for this term.

COMPUTING

Computing this term will start with Internet Safety and be closely linked to our topic work. Children will learn how best to use a computer for research purposes and how to find trustworthy information and to take notes. These skills will be used to help create our own Pirate fact files.

GEOGRAPHY - HISTORY

Our topic this half term is **Pirates** and we will be learning about **the seas and rivers of the world**. We will be learning about basic maps and atlases- our skill focus will be map and atlas reading. We would also be focusing on a theme for **Black History Month**.

Year Three PIRATES

Autumn Term 1

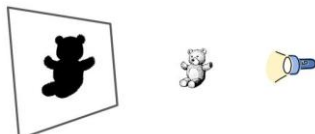


MUSIC

This half term, we will be learning about the Baroque Period in music history, which took place between the years 1600 and 1750 in Europe, as well as examining some of the key composers of the era.

SCIENCE

Our first topic this term will be **Light**. The children will find out the different sources of light and the importance of light for helping us to see. Children will also investigate how light travels in straight lines. We will also be learning about how shadows are formed and why these have different sizes.



READING AND WRITING

Throughout this term the texts we will be reading are :-
Young Merlin – fiction

Pirates and Magnets- non fiction

Moon - poetry

Eye witness account- we will retell the events in the correct order, write in first person and use appropriate time conjunctions

Story – We will be writing our own version of the story with a focus on paragraphing, spelling and punctuation and also using fronted adverbials.

Diary entry- we will use drama to take on the role of a character. We will then write diary entries in role.

ART AND DESIGN

We will be looking at the artist **Turner**. Our work this term will also include Observational drawings using coloured crayons and chalk, Painting of the Golden Hind Experiment with marks and lines with a wide range of media (charcoal, pencil, ballpoint, pastel, chalk) and experimenting with different grades of pencil to achieve varied tone.

SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This term's focus will be on **Games** Dribbling and passing with feet and **Multi Skills**.