

English

Autumn 1

Narrative - stories with familiar settings.

Fables.

Autumn 2

Persuasive writing.

Shape poetry.

Main skills taught:

- Using conjunctions, prepositions and inverted commas.
- Writing imaginative descriptions.
- Planning, drafting and editing our own work.
- Understanding alliteration, personification, similes and metaphors.

Spelling

We will explore spelling patterns using Jane Considine's scheme of activities and investigations. No spelling homework will be set.

Year 3

2025-2026

Autumn Term



Curriculum Overview

'Learning and Growing
Together in the Light of
God's Love'



Maths

This term we will be focusing on the topics of:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

We will primarily use White Rose resources to teach this but will also use resources from Power Maths and Maths No Problem.

Times Tables Rock Stars and Numbots

Times Tables Rock Stars is a fantastic resource for developing times tables knowledge. Numbots is an excellent tool for developing basic number skill. The children know their login, which is the same for both programmes, and can use these to practise at home too.

PE

Our class PE days are:

- Monday (at the field)
- Tuesday (at school)

On these days children should come into school wearing their PE kit. We will be developing our skills in field hockey, netball, football and gymnastics.

Reading

Developing reading skills and increasing reading fluency continues to be an important focus. We will be using Christopher Such's approach to reading to encourage both a love for reading and strengthening comprehension skills in the children. We will be starting this term with the book 'Stig of the Dump' to tie in with our Stone Age topic.

In order to support this, please continue to hear your child read out loud daily at home. Asking them questions about the text as they read is particularly beneficial.

RE

We will be following RED scheme for RE. We will work to deepen our understanding of scripture and faith.

Our branch titles for this term are:

- Covenant and Creation
- Prophecy and Promise

The children will also have opportunities to take part in daily worship.

Science

Our topics this term are:

Animals - movement and nutrition.

Exploring the role of skeletons and muscles, learning how the body uses energy and what constitutes a balanced diet.

Forces and magnets

Exploring contact and non-contact forces, including friction and magnetism and their effects.



Computing

This term, the children will be looking at **coding** following the Purple Mash scheme of work. This will then be followed by **online safety** where children learn how to be safe on the internet.

RSHE

We will follow the Ten:Ten RSHE programme which works to nurture the children's spiritual growth, personal development and social responsibility by sharing inspiring, creative content delivered through a Catholic lens.

Art and Design

The children will be:

- making bronze age beakers made from air-dry clay
- creating their own cave painting
- making a collage of a volcano

Design and Technology

This term, the children will use textiles to make their own Christmas decoration.

Geography

In the autumn term, we are focusing on the exciting topic of volcanoes. The children will learn about how the earth is constructed, understand why we have volcanoes, the effects of volcanoes and the effects of earthquakes.

History

The children will learn all about the Stone Age through to the Iron Age. They will learn all about the earliest humans, how and where they lived and what they did in their daily lives.

General Reminders:

Homework

Homework will be set on a Thursday and will be due back in to school by the following Tuesday.

News Book

Every week a child in the class will take our News Book home with them. The purpose of this is for every child in the class to have the opportunity to look up something that has recently happened in the world which interests them and to write a short article about it. Then they bring the book back in to school and present their findings to the rest of the class.

Any comments or concerns

If you have any concerns about your child or about their progress and you would like to discuss this with me, please email the office and I will be happy to arrange a meeting face to face or over the phone.

Many thanks for all of your support and I look forward to a wonderful autumn term with your children.

Mrs Bradfield

