



Year 3 Autumn



Welcome back after the Summer break.

We hope that you all had an enjoyable holiday. This year we are continuing with our exciting, thematic approach to teaching. This allows children to make connections between areas of learning and consolidate skills. All the themes chosen deliver the programmes of study for the National Curriculum. PSHEe, R.E and Science.



Maths As Mathematicians, the children will be concentrating on place value using 2 and 3 digit numbers. Children will be taught to write numbers in words and numerals and order and partition numbers up to 100 or 1000. Mental and written methods for addition and subtraction will then be a focus. The children will also be concentrating on multiplication and division facts using their times tables. Superheroes will continue this year. Children will be solving multiplication and division of two and three digit numbers using apparatus before moving on to the formal written method.



English Children will **read** regularly, and need their book in school every day please. A range of fiction and non-fiction texts will be explored in class. Throughout the year, children who are ready will move onto KS2 books with journal tasks.

In **writing**, the children will be concentrating on writing sentences using a range of punctuation accurately. Children will be encouraged to use correct grammatical vocabulary and to recognise a range of different sentence types. They will also be taught how to identify and use, nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs and prepositions and use them effectively in their writing. We have wonderful texts ready to lead their sessions, many which link to our thematic work this term. We will start by writing setting descriptions. Children will have **spellings** to learn on a weekly basis – please continue to help them practise at home – these will be tested each week in school.

PSHE This term will be focusing on 'Relationships' and we will be learning about different types of families.

Science

As Scientists, the children will be learning about light, particularly focusing on reflection and shadows. We will also be focussing on magnets and forces and their poles, and which materials are attracted to a magnet.



'Thematic Topic

In the Autumn Term, our first thematic topic is 'That's All Folks' which is a unit based around the history and development of animation and cartoons. We start by learning about the beginnings of animation, looking at zoetropes and flip books, before moving on to the dawn of the Disney age. Then, the process of animation is explored further, with an opportunity to exchange design ideas and create our own animated films.

We then move onto the topic of 'Lindow man': is a thematic unit based unit which will have a history focus, telling the story of prehistoric Britain, from the Stone Age to the Celts.

As **Musicians**, children will be taught musical terms such as tempo, pulse and beat.



Art, Design and Technology will be taught within each of these units.

Religious Education

The children will be learning about Christianity. They will explore artefacts and listen to some stories from the Bible.

P.E. This term there will be a focus on games. Children will be learning how to throw and catch using different apparatus.

An exciting term ahead – we are very much looking forward to our new learning together! 😊