

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 2025

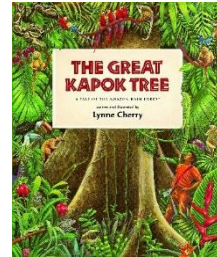


Dear parents and carers,

We would like to welcome you back to a new school year and hope you all had a wonderful Christmas.

Literacy

In Literacy, we will be learning about the book 'The Great Kapok Tree'. The children's final written outcome will be to write a persuasive speech to stop the man from cutting down the tree. While studying this text we will be practicing how to use fronted adverbials, write in paragraphs and how to change our tone and intonation when reading aloud.



During our daily guided reading lessons, we will be focusing on improving our understanding of what we read. This will include summarising; inferring meaning and characters' feelings; making predictions; and discussing how different language, structure and presentation choices contribute to meaning and capture the reader's interest.



Every week we will have a guided reading theme, so the children are able to read a variety of different fiction and non-fiction texts. We will also continue to read our class book; Griffin Gate.

In order to keep developing our reading skills and love of reading, it is really important to **read at home** regularly. Research shows that 15 minutes reading per day can equate to reading one million words per year.

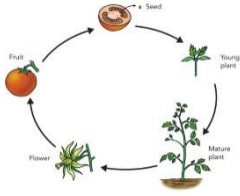
Spellings will be given out weekly, based on the on the Year 3 / 4 common exception words. They will be given on a **Monday** and these should be practised regularly before being tested on the **Friday**.

Mathematics

This term we will be continuing to learn learning to measure in metres, centimetre and millimetres and solving problems about this. We will then move onto our mass topic.



There will be a continuous focus on times-tables. It is important that the children practise their times-tables regularly at home. It will also help them with their mathematical fluency - which will help in many areas of maths. We will be focusing on the 4x, 3x, and 8x tables this term.

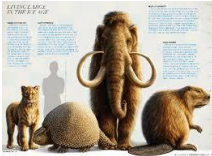


Science

In science the children will be exploring the different parts of plants; what they need to grow; how they transport water and understanding the life cycle of flowering plants.

PE

This term we are continuing PE with Mrs Boyle where we will be learning about gymnastics while continuing to develop our fitness. 3D have PE on Monday and Friday. 3L have PE twice on a Monday. **Children must come to school in PE kit on these days.**



History

In our History topic we will be learning about what animals were alive during the Ice Age and why these animals are not around now and comparing Ice Age animals to their 21st century relatives.

Jigsaw

Our Jigsaw piece this half term is Dreams and Goals. We will consider how we can be resilient in challenging situations and how we can collaborate to achieve our goals.



RE

In RE we are learning about Islam and how festivals and worship show what matters to Muslims?



DT

This term will be doing market research and considering the best materials and designs to make plant pot covers. We will apply what we learn in art to help us to do some simple sewing.

Art

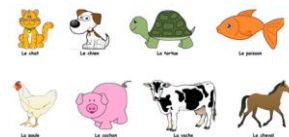
We will be learning about different textiles and creating a collaborative piece based on Mark Quinn's Winter Garden creating embroidered flowers.

Computing

In computing this term, we will be using Scratch to learn coding and create a project using visuals and sounds.

French

In French we will be revising our learning on classroom objects and numbers. We will then be learning the French names for animals.



We hope that this information gives you an insight into the learning and activities for Year 3 this half-term. **Homework** will continue to be given **every Friday**, and due the following Friday. If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask or email your child's class teacher.

Kind Regards,

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