

St. Andrew's CE (VA) Junior School Year 3 Spring 2 Curriculum Overview



Literacy

This half term, we will be continuing to focus on James and the Giant Peach. After this we will move to looking at 'Ottoline and the Yellow Cat'. We will look at different story genres, more non-fiction writing and other areas of literacy such as punctuating speech.

We will continue to look at the Y3 spelling rules and will use the 'Read Write Inc' scheme to help us with our spelling learning. The children need to ensure they are trying hard at home to learn their spellings. Spelling will be a very important focus this half term.

Physical Education

This half term, we will continue to focus on balance and cognitive skills using the Real PE scheme. PE will be on Monday afternoons and Fridays (Both indoor and outdoor kit is needed every week). Children will learn how to play Kwik Cricket with Premier Coaching.

Music

We will be using a unit called 'Glockenspiel' which will look at the history of music, pitch and rhythm. We will also use glockenspiels and other instruments in this unit.

<u>ICT</u>

We will continue our 'Presenters' unit before moving on to look at Networks.

Maths

In Maths, we will be looking at fractions, measure and revisiting the four operations. We will move on to look at more formal methods. We will also use the bar model to help deepen and explain our understanding. It is a requirement that by the end of year 3 the children know the times tables and division facts for the three, four, six and eight times tables, so these tables will be our focus throughout the year.

Art/DT

We will continue to develop our art skills when we look at sculpture and work with clay. We will also do some cooking activities.

<u>Science</u>

We will be learning all about bodies! We look at nutrition and the function of our skeleton. We will also work on using graphs and presenting our findings.

Religious Education

In RE this half term, we will finish the creation unit of work before moving on to looking at Christianity in other countries. We will also look at the Easter story and Good Friday.

The key questions we will think about are 'what do creation stories tell us about the world?', 'how is Christianity different in other countries?' and 'why do Christians call the day Jesus died, Good Friday'?

History

We will continue with a History topic this half term as we move on in time to learn about the Bronze Age and then the Romans.

<u>French</u>

As we continue to learn French, the children will be taught about traditional French celebrations and the vocabulary surrounding different events.

Notices

It is very important the children try to get to school on time every day. They need to have their book bags and reading books everyday as some children are not completing enough quizzes. We also continue to encourage the children to read at home. Maths/Literacy homework will continue to be set **each Friday** and will be due in the **following Wednesday**.