

St. Andrew's CE (VA) Junior School Year 3 Spring 1 Curriculum Overview



Literacy

This half term we will be focusing on the books, 'The Day The Crayons Quit' and 'Alice in Wonderland' Whilst studying the book we will write our own stories, look at characters, use the 'Thinking Hats' and look at different areas of grammar.

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.

Physical Education

This half term we will focus on balance and cognitive skills using the Real PE scheme. PE will be on Monday afternoons and Friday mornings. (Both indoor and outdoor kit is needed every week).

<u>ICT</u>

We will be presenters in ICT this half term! The children will make and present their own videos and use editing software.

PSHE

During this term we will look at healthy lifestyles; growing and changing and keeping safe.

Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing on multiplication, division and fractions. We will continue to use lots of exciting investigations where we solve problems using our number knowledge. We will also use more of 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 table and division facts for the three, four, six and eight times tables, so these tables will be our focus throughout the year.

Art

We will continue to develop our art skills when we look at painting. We will use different paint types and look at colour theory.

Science

Animals (including humans) will be our topic. We will learn about different skeletons, how these protect animals and what makes a healthy diet.

Religious Education

In RE this half term we will learn about creation stories from different religions across the world. The key questions we will think about are 'What do creation stories tell us about the world?' We will think about our ideas and how the world was created and what is wonderful about our world.

Geography

During our geography learning we will look at countries in Europe and focus on France. We will learn about physical and human features whilst continuing to work on map skills.

French

As we continue to learn French, the children will be taught about colours and body parts. We will also continue to look at greetings and numbers.

Notices

Our school target is for each chid to be reading for 20 minutes a day, please try and encourage your child to read at home. Children need indoor and outdoor PE kit in school at all times. Maths/Literacy homework will continue to be set **each Friday** and will be due in the **following Wednesday**.