

Year 3 - Autumn Term 2023

Who are we?

Y3N - Phoenixes - Miss Northcott with Miss Dunaway

Y3D - Dragons - Mrs Davies with Mrs Collins, Mrs Hawkins and Mrs Bond

Y3M - Pegasus - Miss Meadows with Mrs Good

PPA Cover - Mrs Sparshott, Mrs Jupe, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Howard

Year leader: Miss Northcott



English:

In **English** we will be focusing on lots of traditional stories, such as, The Ugly Duckling and The Brave Tin Soldier by Hans Christian Anderson. We will also be looking at The Little Shoemaker and Flotsam learning to develop our 5* sentences.

Please make sure that you are regularly reading with your child and asking them a few questions about what they have read. If you would like some guidance on the sorts of questions to ask, please see your child's teacher.



Maths:

In **Maths** we will be working on place value and ordering numbers, mental calculation strategies for addition and subtraction and using money. We will also be learning about measurement, shapes, time and data handling. In Year 3 we will continue to improve our times tables, so using TTRockstars is an excellent way to do this. We will be focusing specifically on the 3, 4 and 8 times tables, whilst also consolidating their knowledge of their 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Please do spend time regularly practising number bonds up to 20 and times tables with your child - maybe you could even use the journey to school for this.



Science

Our **Science** learning in the first half term explores bones and nutrition in humans and animals. When you're in the supermarket, perhaps you could discuss the nutritional values of the food which you are going to buy. Later in the term we will be exploring different materials, their properties and usefulness for specific tasks.



History

In **History** the children will be learning about life in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age and the changes that occurred during these periods of time. Later in the term we will be visiting Butser Ancient Farm.

Art and DT

Our **Art** topic is painting where we will try to replicate a painting in a particular style (impressionism - Monet). We are examining the how to mix secondary and tertiary colours in a range of tints and tones. Later, we will experiment and explore adding layers and details using different brush strokes, before attempting to create our own impressionist painting.

In **DT** our topic is 'Containers' and we will be applying our sewing skills in order to create a holder of some kind, e.g. purse, phone cover etc. First we will be thinking carefully about the purpose of a container and the best way to fasten it, before designing and creating our own felt containers.

Music

In Music we are going to be enjoying learning about how to create different moods and aim to create a composition about sea creatures.



PE

In PE, we will be taking part in outdoor games and gymnastics.

Dragon class will also be having 10 weeks of swimming lessons on either a Tuesday or Thursday.



Computing

In **Computing** the children will develop their understanding of simulations and control through using the program Scratch. They will be learning how to de-bug simple scratch programmes and then using this knowledge to create their own simple algorithms. We will also continue to discuss e-safety with the children and how they can stay safe online.



Religious Education

Religious Education in Autumn 1 is focusing on the Hindu festival of Diwali and the story of Rama and Sita through the concept of light as a symbol.

In Autumn 2, we will then focus on Holy, what this concept means and link it to the Christmas story.

Healthy Snacks

In year 3 the children are not given fruit at playtimes. You may wish to provide your child with a fruit or **healthy snack** for break time if you don't already do so. This may include, fruit, veg, cheese, crackers, bread and yoghurts.



We look forward to working with you this year.