

Inspiring Curriculum Newsletter

Class 3

Spring 2018



Our Themes:

Go With the Flow

They See the World like This

Our Key Values:

Caring, Commitment to Achieve, Co-operation,
Happiness, Independence, Respect



A very warm welcome back after the Christmas break. The children have returned enthusiastically; excited about the activities that our new topics will bring. I know that they will continue to work hard, adhere to our important school values and be fantastic role models for younger students within school.

Miss Morgan

Literacy

In English, we will continue to work on a range of writing skills with a high focus on grammar. We will continue to study different text types and develop our literary skills and will continue to work on Read Write Inc spelling, which involves the children accessing daily spelling lessons, with handwriting maintaining its high profile.

Numeracy

In Mathematics, we are learning about key number skills, such as the four operations and the key properties of number and applying these skills in a range of problems. We will be looking to develop our skills with mental and written calculations. The children will be regularly assessed and the areas for development will determine our focus from then up until the end of the term.

Science

In Science, we are learning about Light. We will be recognising how light travels, how light helps humans see objects and explain how the way light travels to affects shadows' shape.

R.E

In R.E, we will be learning how Christians believe how Jesus died to save them. We will understand the significance of Salvation in everyday life for Christians. In the second half of term we will be looking at the Bible and the Quran.

Computing

In Computing this term, in line with our second IPC topic, we will be computer aided artists using a variety of programs.

PSHE

In PSHE we are continuing with our successful Jigsaw scheme. Our first unit is called 'Dreams and Goals' and this will help us set some targets to aspire to this term.

P.E

Specialist coaches will continue to teach the children for their PE sessions – dance and netball. Swimming will commence again after half term.

Music
In music we will be exploring melodies and lyrics in musical pieces-leading to a class performance.

International Primary Curriculum

For our themes we have an entry day to enthuse the children and an exit day to celebrate all that we have learned. The children will learn a range of subjects through the topic theme.

Our first theme this term is – ‘ <i>Go With the Flow</i> ’, which is all about rivers. The pupils will have the opportunity to learn about key rivers around the world and what they’ve provided for civilisations who have settled near them over the years. The exit day will be part of our London trip in the summer where we take a river boat on the Thames.
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Our second topic is – ‘They See the World Like This’ which is an art-based topic based on interpretation. Pupils will be invited to dress as British people who they have interpreted to be significant in modern times or throughout history. They will have the opportunity to research and create presentations that relate to how they think people from other countries interpret Britain and its residents. For our exit day, the pupils will set up their own art gallery to showcase the work that they have created during the term.

As **Artists** we will be:

- Exploring different artistic styles.
- Creating artwork in specific styles using a range of media.
- Creating ink prints.
- Using our locality to inspire artwork.
- Learning to effectively evaluate personal work and the work of others.
- Creating art to music.

Through the **international** aspect of the topic, children will be learning about:

- Aspects of culture and creative arts in our country.
- Aspects of culture and creative arts in a different country.
- Ways in which some forms of creative arts in the countries they have influence people.
- The lives of people in one country or group and how they're influenced by the activities of other countries or groups.
- Identifying ways in which people work together for mutual benefit.

Through **geography**, pupils will be learning about:

- Rivers and their features.
- Rivers and how they affect the surrounding landscapes.
- The effects of flooding.
- How people depend on their nearby rivers throughout the world.
- The river Nile.

Important Information

As per the school homework policy, homework **will be set on Thursdays and returned on Mondays.**

Our **P.E** day will continue to be **Tuesday**. Please ensure that the correct P.E kits are brought to school for these sessions, that long hair is tied back and that no jewellery is worn. **Swimming** will commence after half term on **Thursdays**.

Please do not hesitate in contacting the school office if you require an appointment to discuss anything.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Rhiannon Morgan

