Important dates for Year 3:

Wed 23.09.20 - Virtual 'Meet The Teacher' – details to be emailed to parents.

26.10.20 - 30.10.20 - Half Term.

Trip to Celtic Harmony, to be confirmed.

Further events will be confirmed nearer the time due to current, ever-changing, circumstances.

How can I help at home?

Help your child to be organised – Are there any letters for me in your bag?
Do you have your Reading Book?
Is your completed homework in there too?
Have I checked the Home Liaison Book?
Have I practised the spellings with my child ready for the Friday test?

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Year 3 Parent Information Booklet

What your child will be learning about this term and how you can help at home

Autumn Term 2020

English

Fables: In this unit, the children will explore and compare fables. They will learn about plots and features of fables. They will plan, edit and write their own fable.

Traditional Tales: In this unit, we will be identifying the sequence of main events and summarising our main ideas. We will identify the features of a newspaper style report. We will learn how to punctuate direct speech. We will use conjunctions to extend ideas and add detail. We will use prepositions to recount an event. In our reading sessions, we will practise reading aloud with appropriate intonation and volume.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Encourage your child to read a wide range of books, both fiction and non-fiction so they can access a wide range of vocabulary.

Maths:

Number and place value: The children will cover numbers up to 1000 and focus on the value of each digit: place value. Pupils will learn how to compose and decompose numbers, compare and order and look for patterns.

Addition and subtraction: The lessons start with simple addition before moving on to addition where renaming is required. Once pupils master addition and subtraction, they start to look at problem solving questions and practice using bar models.

Multiplication and division: Pupils will cover the multiplication and division of 3, 4 and 8. Pupils will then get to use their experience of multiplication and division to solve word problems. Lessons move onto multiplying where regrouping is necessary before pupils start to look at division.

R.E:

<u>Homes</u>. We are going to explore both our family and the Christian family and why they are important to us.

<u>Promises</u>. Children will explore what a promise is and what promises we make to God.

<u>Visitors</u>: We will be studying concepts related to Advent and the time leading up to the birth of Christ.

<u>Judaism</u>: A week will be spent studying Judaism, learning about how and where the Jewish people worship and compare any similarities and differences between their faith and our faith. We will also try to arrange a visit to a synagogue.

Science:

Rocks

During our science lessons children will be learning about different types of rocks, comparing how they are different based on their appearance, make systematic and careful observations about the rocks, learn about fossils and how they are formed and explain how soil is made.

Light and Shadows

In this unit, the children will learn about different sources of light, and that we need light to see. They will investigate reflective materials, in the context of designing a new book bag.

History:

From the Stone Age to the Iron Age:

We will be exploring the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age periods. We will look at what made these periods in history special exploring the discoveries and inventions. We will also learn why historical artefacts are important and how we can use them to help us discover information about the past.

Geography:

Our World

Studying the features of our planet such mountain ranges, rivers and capital cities. We will be building our map skills as we explore Longitude and Latitude.

Art/ D.T

Art and DT will be linked to our topic. We will be making our own cave paintings and making round houses. We are going to make gingerbread Christmas decorations.

PE:

<u>Athletics/Tennis & Cricket:</u> In Athletics, the skill focus will be on demonstrating control when running, sprinting, throwing and jumping. In tennis and cricket, we will focus on building a confident control of equipment.

<u>Music:</u> We will learn to compose rhythmic patterns within a given structure. Year 3 will also be learning to play the Ukulele!

Computing: Children develop understanding of digital images, coding and E-safety. They transform and edit images, respecting copyright and ownership. They explore stop animation creating their own versions. They produce programmed animations in Scratch, using sequence, repeat and selection.

<u>MFL</u> We will discuss what we understand by language and the ways in which we communicate. We will look at where French is spoken across the globe. We will learn how to meet and greet people and talk about our family, as well as classroom language and objects in French. We will learn to count up to 20, and to use numbers in various contexts.