

# Class 3 Topic Web Autumn 2018

## English

### Roald Dahl & Sci-Fi

For the first half-term we will be focussing on the many works of Roald Dahl. We will be reading his books and poetry in class, analysing his writing techniques and word choices. We will be writing poems, stories and instructions inspired by his work. In the second-half term we will be learning about Science Fiction texts. We will read a range of texts to support creating our own characters and settings.

The children will be extending their writing through using different sentence types, developing their vocabulary and exploring a variety of texts. A major focus will be in on improving handwriting, spelling and presentation.

## Maths

### Place value, written methods, shape & fractions

This term we will be securing children's number knowledge - exploring times tables, place value, patterns, shape, fractions and much more. The children will develop their ability to explain their thinking processes, methods and how they have reached their answers. We spend time on solving problems and reasoning.

Please **practise times tables** with your child **daily** in order to support their on-going Maths work.

## Science

### Living Things and Their Habitats

In Science children will explore a variety of ways to identify, sort, group and classify living things. They learn how animals are split into 'vertebrates' and 'invertebrates' and begin to consider the differences between living things. They will use and create classification keys to group, identify and name living things from the local habitat and beyond. Children consider the idea that environments are subject to man-made and natural changes, and that these changes can have a significant impact on living things.

### Rocks

In this unit, children will discover the different types of rocks and how they are formed. Children will compare and group rocks based on appearance and simple properties. They will learn how fossils are formed and learn about the contribution of Mary Anning to the field of palaeontology. Children will understand how soil is formed and then investigate the permeability of different types of soil.

## RE

### Stories of Key Religious Leaders

Children will learn about the life of Muhammad (pbuh) and about Muslims today.

### Ways of Describing God

Children think about the different ways that God can be described. They learn about the 99 Beautiful names of Allah.

### Christmas

The focus is about Angels as messengers sending news at Christmas.

## History

### Ancient Egypt

In history the children will learn about the achievements of this ancient civilisation. They will learn about how and where the ancient Egyptians lived, what was important to the daily lives of ancient Egyptians, who Tutankhamun was and how mummies were made. The children will also learn about how Egyptian people used hieroglyphs to communicate and compare the powers of different gods.

## Geography

### A Local Study

Children will learn basic map reading skills. They will look at a variety of different types of maps and compare them. The children will explore an area locally and experiment with drawing a map themselves.

## Computing

### Sequence and Animation

In this unit pupils learn to make things happen in a sequence, creating simple animations and simulations.

### Word Processing Skills

Children will learn to use various features for formatting text. They will start with some important computer skills and learn how to use screenshots and the Snipping Tool, and secure use of passwords.

## Art

### Autumn

In art the children will learn how to use pencil, colour, paint, print, collage and paper to create quality art work that shows progression in skills. The children will also have the opportunity to explore the work of several paintings of Autumn scenes, also works by Matisse and Cezanne.

## D&T

### Sewing

In D and T the children will be sewing. They will start by exploring and evaluating different types of stitch. Children will design and make something based on our topics. A hemming and

overcast stitch will be introduced during this unit. Children will learn about decoration techniques; getting the chance to investigate tie-dye and fabric paints. Finally, when they have completed the making of their object, children will evaluate their product against design criteria.

## Music

### Three Little Birds

This unit builds on listening and appraising skills in music. Children will be playing the recorder.

## French

### Chez Le Docteur

This term children will learn to name different parts of the body. Other topics include: Going to the doctors and feelings

## PE

The children will have P.E. on **Mondays**. P.E. kits should come into school on **Mondays** and be left at school for the week. P.E. kits can then be taken home on Fridays for washing.

Class 3 will be swimming on Wednesdays in the afternoon. Please ensure your child has a swimming costume (no bikini's for girls) and towel. They can wear goggles.

This term the children will focus on Invasion Games with Mr Chivers.

## PHSE

This term the theme will be Relationships, and Health and Wellbeing.

## Home Learning

Home learning will be given out once a week on **Thursdays**. Please complete home learning and return homework books by the following **Monday**.

Home learning for Class 3 will include maths activities, spelling and grammar tasks or an activity based on their history/geography or science topic. Please consider 20 minutes a good length of time to spend on these tasks.

New spelling journals have been given to the children, and these need to be brought into school every day so the children can practise in independent time through the week.

In addition to the set homework please continue to hear your children read, as well as encouraging them to read independently. Please practise times tables regularly as they need to be fluent in their times tables up to 12 x 12 and encourage use of Times Tables Rock Stars.

As always, many thanks for your support with home learning.