



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year! We are looking forward to a New Year of learning in Year Three. This half term our main topic is '**Antarctica**'. Where possible, all of your child's learning will be linked to this subject. Below is a topic map outlining the areas of learning we will cover in Autumn 1. A copy of this document can also be found on our website. **Swimming lessons** will take place on **Monday** and **PE lessons** on **Friday**. Homework will be set every **Monday** on MS Teams and other websites such as MyMaths or Purple Mash. Thank you.

Mr Field – Class Teacher

MATHS

This term, we will start by learning about **numbers and place value** up to 1,000.

We will read, write, compare (using < and > signs) and order numbers to 200, in numerals **and** words.

We will also be working on **addition**, including missing number problems using knowledge of place value, Solve one-step addition word problems which involve the above; extend with two-step problems.

In addition, we will be working on examples that require reasoning about addition e.g. True or false? The sum of three odd numbers is always an odd number. How do you know?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In RE we will be learning about the story of **Creation** in Genesis and the symbolism used.

We will also be learning about how we can care for God's creation by looking at Pope Francis' Encyclical **Laudato Si**.

COMPUTING

Computing this term will start with **Internet Safety** including the importance of keeping passwords private.

We will then learn about sending emails including how to keep our selves safe when sending and receiving emails and also how to include attachments.

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MUSIC

This half term, we will be learning about the **Baroque Period** in music history, which took place between the years 1600 and 1750 in Europe, as well as examining some of the key composers of the era.

SCIENCE

This term our topic will be learning about **Animals including Humans** — our focus will be centred on nutrition and what makes a healthy diet. Children will be also be looking at the different skeletons of animals including humans and the benefits and disadvantages of each type.



READING AND WRITING

Throughout this term we will be reading the following texts:

'**Young Merlin**' – fiction

'**Pirates and Magnets**'- non fiction

To start our Year Three writing journeys, we will be Inspired by our Whole School Text: **The Day You Begin** by Jaqueline Woodson

We will explore the text '**Leon and the Place Between**' by Angela McAllister where we will learn about writing dialogue and creating persuasive posters.

Finally, we will explore the book '**The Heart and The Bottle**,' by Oliver Jeffers where we will learn about writing diary entries, dialogue and letters of advice.

ART AND DESIGN

This term we will be looking at the artist **Joseph Turner**. We will create observational drawings using coloured crayons and chalk. We will also observe how using different grades of pencil can achieve varied tone.

SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The focus this term will be on **games**, dribbling and passing with feet and **Multi Skills**.

FRENCH

We will learn how to introduce ourselves and **how to greet** each other including asking what someone's name is.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will begin learning about **Growth Mindset**. In Mind Up, we will begin by learning about the brain and then move on to learning about mindful and focused awareness.

GEOGRAPHY

Our topic this half term is Antarctica. We will be learning about: Latitude and Longitude; the human and physical features of Antarctica; Shackleton's expedition and map work. We will also be focusing on a theme for **Black History Month**.