

# Y3 Spring 2 Curriculum Overview

# **English**

Pupils will be reading the book The Firework-maker's daughter by Phillip Pullman. The expected writing outcomes are set of instructions, poetry, writing in role, journaling and story map.

For the second part of our term, we will read The Magic Paintbrush by Julia Donaldson and children will be expected to write a poem and write a description.

Pupils will focus on letter formation in their handwriting.

Children will continue to concentrate on their letter size and where to start and join letters correctly.

# Grammar, Punctuation and Spellings

Pupils will learn to extend the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although. Use the present perfect form of verbs in contrast to the past tense choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition. Use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause. Use fronted adverbials. Indicate grammatical and other features by: using commas after fronted adverbials indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns using and punctuating direct speech.

# Reading

Children will be reading a range of books to enrich their vocabulary and reading fluency.

Pupils will focus on:

- Use knowledge to read 'exception' words.
- Read a range of fiction and non-fiction books.
- Use dictionaries and Thesaurus to check meanings.
- Identify root words, prefixes, and suffixes.
- Check own understanding of reading.
- Draw inferences & make predictions.
- Retrieve information & record information.
- Discuss their point of views with their

# Topic (History) The Shang Dynasty

This topic will broaden your horizons and we will learn about China and its culture.

- L1- How do we know about the Shang Dynasty?
- L2- How did the Shang Dynasty begin?
- L3- What was life-like in the Shang Dynasty?
- L4- What did the Shang people believe?
- L5- Who was Fu Hao?
- L6- How did the Shang Dynasty end?

#### Maths

This half term, the children will look fractions and Mass and Capacity.

Children will look into what unit and non-unit fractions are, understand what is a whole, denominator and numerator, count fraction on a number line and find equivalent fractions.

In regards to second unit of work, we will look into how to use/ read a scale, measure in kg and gr, litres and ml, compare mass, add and subtract amounts of mass and liquid.

#### Science

#### **Forces**

Children will learn about different types of forces and how to measure them.

We will look at:

- L1- What are forces?
- L2- How can we measure the size of forces?
- L3- What are contact forces?
- L4- What are non-contact forces?
- L5- What factors affect an object's ability to float?
- L6- What impact do gears, levers, and pulleys have on forces?

#### Art

# Shape and Tone

This unit focuses on teaching pupils how to transform 2D card shapes into three-dimensional structures and sculptures. Pupils explore abstract shapes and space, develop skills in constructing 3D objects, and understand the difference between 2D and 3D art. Use this unit hub to inform your medium-term plan and to navigate to related resources.

# Computing

# Journey inside a computer

Children will recognise inputs and outputs and that the computer sends and receives information., Explain that the parts of a laptop work together and the purpose of each part, Explain what an algorithm is, suggest what memory is for inside a computer., and make comparisons between different types of computer

### RE

#### Christianism

In this half-term we will focus on Easter and the person of Jesus.

We will discuss what is the importance of Good Friday and its implications to Jesus and Its followers.

### **PSHE**

Talking and listening to each child will be crucial in improving their confidence and gaining a greater understanding of how they feel. This half term, the children will focus on the theme 'Healthy Me'. The children will discuss what does it mean to be healthy, make a balanced diet, being physically active, keep themselves safe and help the others to keep safe and make the right choices.

#### PE

PE will be focusing on Fitness and Dance These lessons are delivered by a specialist teacher.



# MFL (French)

This second half-term we will be looking into classroom objects and language.



## Music

Children will continue to learn how to play the violin and also learn about different music genres and instruments. Lessons will be delivered by a professional musician from the Bucks Music Trust.

