Autumn Term 2023 Curriculum Plan

Year 3

In the first week children will work on their descriptive writing through the theme 'All about me'.

During the first half term, pupils will be given an approach threat narrative opportunity, focusing on the book 'The Iron Man' written by Ted Hughes. Children will look at sections of the text and illustrations to make predictions and gain a greater understanding of the narrative. They will develop their understanding of key vocabulary from the book and analyse the example text. Children will look at language features, the organisational structures, grammar and punctuation used. This will support them when planning and writing an approach threat narrative. After that, children will be given the opportunity of writing an explanation. They will analyse the structure of an explanation and the grammar included. Children will look at the language features and how it can influence the reader. This will support them in writing an explanation on 'How to capture the Iron Man?'.

English

After half term, children will look at a fable narrative, focusing on the book 'Fox' written by Margaret Wild and Ron Brooks. Children will have an opportunity to develop their understanding of previous grammar and punctuation learnt. After that, children will write an information report about foxes. They will analyse an example text, discussing key vocabulary and language used and how it affects the reader. Children will look at the features of the text and include features like headings and paragraphs in their writing. They will continue to include grammar and punctuation from the year 3 objectives.

There will be daily reading sessions following the 'Steps to Read' scheme. Children will improve their comprehension skills and word recognition, looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. In the first half term, children will read a range of texts based on forces, magnets and rocks. After half term, children will read a mixture of stories and poetry. Throughout the term, there will be regular opportunities for independent reading.

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.

We will continue to develop our grammatical knowledge through reading, writing and speaking. Children will use the 'Pathways to Spelling' scheme. Weekly sessions will focus on common exception words and spellings rules for Year 3 objectives.

Mathematics

This half term, the children will look at numbers up to 1000 and focus on the place value of each digit. Pupils will learn how to compose and decompose numbers, compare,

order and look for patterns. Then children will work on addition and subtraction. They will start off with simple addition before moving on to addition where renaming is required. Subtraction will be covered in a similar way where simple subtraction is mastered before moving to subtraction where renaming is required. Once the children master addition and subtraction, they start to look at problem solving questions and practice using bar models.

After half term, the children 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. Then the children will move onto multiplying by a 2-digit number. The first few lessons focus on decomposing a number into tens and ones so that the multiplication is easily managed and children can see the concept using Base 10 blocks. Lessons move onto multiplying where regrouping is necessary before the children start to look at division. Once the children have mastered multiplication and division, they focus on solving problems using the multiplication and division methods they have learnt.

The children will gain greater confidence using concrete resources to solve mathematical problems. This will develop their understanding and reasoning skills through discussion and step by step strategies to solve problems. This will be recorded in journals where the children will learn several methods to solve a problem.

Daily fluency will focus on previous learning and give opportunities to address any gaps in learning. Weekly 'Beat it Big Maths' will develop the speed and accuracy of the children's timetables, that will support them in their mental recall and fluency.

contact between two objects (contact forces) and magnet forces can act at distance (non-contact forces). The children will compare how things move on different surfaces, looking at how gravity and friction acts as a force on an object. They will make a prediction of which surface (grass, gravel, artificial grass, soil) a car will travel the furthest. Then they measure how far the car moves on each surface.

Forces and Magnets - Through practical lessons they will notice that some forces need

Science

Looking at magnets, they will observe and understand that magnets can attract and repel each other. They will look at different types of magnets (horseshoe, bar, disc, block and rod) and test the strength of each of these. They will record the data in a bar chart. They will group and identify everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet. The children will learn that magnets have two poles and will understand why they attract and repel each other.

Pre, mid and post assessments will help address any misconceptions that the children have and fill gaps in their knowledge from previous learning.

Computing

This term, we will look at e-safety. The children will watch a series of Band Runner videos that focus on using technology safely; recognising acceptable and unacceptable

behaviour and understanding what they should do if something upsets them online. The children will create a display using what they have learnt, showing how to stay safe online. Also, children will learn basic computing skills to support their learning throughout the year. After that, the children will learn about computer systems and networks. They will develop their understanding of digital devices, with an initial focus on inputs, processes, and outputs. They will compare digital and non-digital devices. Next, the children will be introduced to computer networks, including devices that make up a network's infrastructure, such as wireless access points and switches. Finally, they will discover the benefits of connecting devices in a network.

After half term, the children will learn about creating media. They will use a range of techniques to create a stop-frame animation using tablets. Next, they will apply those skills to create a story-based animation. This unit will conclude with children adding other types of media to their animation, such as music and text.

Art and Design and Technology

This half term, the children will work on the topic 'Down our Street'. The children will create images of buildings in the streets around the school. They will work on their drawing skills using a range of media, including pencil, pen, crayon and clay.

After half term, the children will look at the artist Van Gough. They will learn about who he was and about the artwork he is famous for. The children will use a variety of media as well as introducing the technique of batik. Also, children will create their own poppies for Remembrance Day. They will sketch poppies in their sketch books and make prints. These will transferred onto paper using ink and then cut out to make a 3D effect. After that, the children will design, make and evaluate their own Christmas tree magnet.

The National Curriculum objectives will be taught through the theme 'The Romans'. The children will be taught a sequence of lessons answering the question 'What did the Romans ever do for us?'.

Humanities

In History, they will learn about the impact the Roman Empire had on Britain. The children will learn who the Romans were and why they invaded Britain. They will learn about what life was like in Britain before the Romans invaded and the legacy they left in Britain.

In Geography, through map work, the children will develop a geographical understanding of where the Romans originated and how they got to Britain. The children will locate where the Romans settled in England and understand what made the United Kingdom so attractive. The children will compare human and physical features of Southern Europe and the United Kingdom.

In addition, the children will have a fieldwork opportunity to design a basic sketch map of the classroom.

French	This term, the children will extend their French vocabulary and look into French customs and traditions. They will learn how to greet each other in French, gaining a greater understanding of the language. This will be done through spoken language in a two-way conversation by asking and answering questions. The children will learn to write simple words and phrases in French. The children will learn how to count to 30 and how this can be used in the spoken and written language. After that, children will learn the alphabet in French. This will be done through songs and rhymes. Leading up to Christmas the children will learn about Christmas traditions in France. They will learn to read and write simple words and phrases used during the festive period.
Music	In music, we will be following the 'Charanga' scheme to develop the children's understanding. The children will learn a song called 'Let Your Spirits Fly'. This is an RnB style song and will focus on key elements of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch). They will sing, play, improvise and compose music using the song. After half term, the children will take part in weekly drumming sessions. The children will use this time to learn and develop many skills revolving around rhythm, pace and beat. Children will listen with attention to detail and recall sounds. They will perform as a group and in solo using their voices and instruments. The children will focus on the Christmas production. They will work on individual and group performances through singing and dancing.
Physical Education	This term, the children will work on invasion games. This will be done through key skills used in dodgeball such as throwing, dodging and catching. They learn how to apply simple tactics to the game to outwit their opponent. In dodgeball, the children will achieve this by hitting opponents with a ball whilst avoiding being hit. Pupils are given opportunities to play games independently and are taught the importance of being honest whilst playing to the rules. Pupils are given opportunities to evaluate and improve on their own and others performances. Dance will be taught throughout the term. The children will create short dance routines with a partner or small group that communicates an idea. This will be done through performing to an audience in class. This term, the children will be given the opportunity to take part in dance and multi sports extracurricular clubs.

RE	In the autumn term, the children will focus on Christianity and Islam. They will both look at the theme 'Who should we follow?'. In the Christianity topic, the children will learn how and why people have served God. Children will look at people who inspire them in their lives. We will discuss what makes a good role model and how we can make sure we are a good role model in everyday life. The children will understand that in Christianity prophets are important in spreading the word of God and help to inspire others. In the Islam topic, the children will learn why the prophet Muhammad is an example to others. The children will discuss what makes good and bad role models. The children will learn about the life story of Muhammad and why Muslims follow him.
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 'Being Me in My World'. The children will get to know each other and identify positive things about themselves. They will learn to consider why it is important to consider other people's feelings and take responsibility for their own actions. They will understand how their actions can affect others and see it from other people's views. After half term, the children will focus on the theme 'Celebrating Differences'. They will understand that everyone's family is different. They will understand how you can make other people feel better. The children will understand how complimenting others can have a positive effect.