



English

This term's English lessons begin with a focus on the works of Oliver Jeffers, Anthony Browne and Joe Toddington. These simple fiction texts (and the longer more challenging texts we will introduce after half-term - such as *The Firemaker's Daughter* by Philip Pulman) will help the children build on their reading skills and hopefully inspire them to write amazing recounts, stories and newspaper articles of their own. There will also be weekly spellings to learn on [Spelling Shed](#) and for most children the chance to complete regular reading quizzes on [Accelerated Reader](#). Grammar and handwriting lessons will be a regular feature of Year 3's English lessons, too. We also hope to build on the children's oracy skills through drama and role-play.

Science & Computing

Our Science topics this term will involve investigating healthy diets and exercise, teeth care and the human skeleton.

In computing children will be taught the basic rules of e-safety as well as mastering some of our favourite i-pad apps. Children will also learn the first steps in coding this term.

Maths

Our focus for the Autumn term will be consolidating and strengthening children's place value knowledge learnt in Year 2. We extend our numbers to 3-digits and make sure children know the value of each digit using lots of different strategies and tools. We will then focus on addition and subtraction calculation skills using 1-, 2- and 3-digit numbers. We will continue with our Times Table Passports to record children's progress in learning their multiplication and division facts. [Times Table Rock Stars](#) is set up now so children can practice these at their own level and pace.

History & Geography

Our big question this term is "How did the arrival of the Romans change Britain?"

We hope to be delivering a very clear and entertaining answer to this question to you all at our Roman assembly on the **Tuesday 16th November**. Look out for your invitation to this exciting event in due course.

PE/Swimming/Forest Schools

Our P.E. day is Thursday and children should come to school in their P.E. kit on this day. Swimming and [Forest School](#) sessions will be on Mondays for 3NP and 3SP and on Fridays for 3LW and 3PC.

PSHE & RE

In R.E. children will be considering how and why Christians follow Jesus and looking into the deeper meanings of festivals.

In PSHCE lessons we follow the [Jigsaw](#) scheme of work looking at the themes "Being Me in My World" and "Celebrating Differences".

MFL & Music

Children will be studying French this term learning some key vocabulary and simple conversational phrases. In music we will be learning some new songs inspired by the song "Let Your Spirit Fly", and we will even be having a go at playing the Glockenspiel! I'm sure, nearer Christmas, we will be singing plenty of our favourite carols, too.

Art & DT

In Art lessons we will be studying line and tone as we improve our drawing skills and learning the technique of Pointillism through the work of George Seurat and others. There will be an opportunity for children to develop their cooking skills at some point and our Christmas Pudding Open Day on **Thursday 9th of December** will be another exciting design and technology challenge for all of us—adults included!