

## My Year 3 Learning Journey – Autumn 2018

### ENGLISH

This term we will be reading books around an anthropomorphic (speaking animals) theme including Diary of a Killer Cat, Dirty Beasts (poetry) and The Tale of Despereaux. All our English writing and outcomes will be based from these texts. We will be expressing time, place and cause using conjunctions [for example, when, before, after, while, so, because] and using adverbs, conjunctions and prepositions within our writing to add detail. We will also look at creating character and setting descriptions which will include using our 5 senses and expanded noun phrases.

### MATHS

We will identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations. We will find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number. There will be opportunity to recognise the place value of each digit in a three -digit number (hundreds, tens, ones). There will also be comparison and ordering of numbers up to 1000 along with reading and writing numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words. A lot of focus will be on solving number problems and practical problems involving these ideas. We will also learn how to count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100.

### SCIENCE

For Animals including Humans we will look at nutrition, skeletons and muscles. In Rocks and Soils we will observe and compare different rocks, soil types and investigate fossils.

### TOPIC

We will find out what happened in the Stone Age, looking at major events and investigating the significance of Skara Brae.

### ART

We will be focusing on pattern making with Rangoli Patterns, linked to our RE topic on Diwali. We will then move onto textiles and weaving.

ICT We will be learning about the importance of e-safety.

PE This term we will develop our agility, balance & coordination in Indoor PE, using a range of equipment and developing movement and balance routines.

PSHCE We are following the Jigsaw scheme. Our first theme will be 'Being Me in My World' and the second one will be 'Celebrating Difference.'

MFL We will learn basic classroom phrases and greetings, numbers and colours.

RE We will be learning about Hinduism and how people who follow different beliefs worship at home and in their places of worship.

MUSIC We will have recorder lessons and learn to play simple pieces, developing individual and ensemble skills.

DT Designing a tasty and healthy sandwich.

### Trips and visits

Fieldwork, local area visit

Stone age workshop – in school

### How can you help your child?

#### PE lessons

Please ensure your child/children have the appropriate kit and footwear for the PE lessons.

#### Homework

Children will receive their homework every Thursday, which must be completed and handed in the following Monday. (Therefore: 2 evenings and 2 full days to complete their work). Please support your child with this.

#### Spellings

Children will receive spellings weekly. The children will bring home their planner and in their English homework book will be a spelling practice sheet that will need to be completed and your child will need to write 10 detailed sentences for the new spelling word. Please encourage your child in their spellings at home using the spelling sheet provided. You could also try [www.spellingcity.com](http://www.spellingcity.com) where your child can enter the words for free and take a test online.

#### Reading

Purple task books and reading books need to be brought into school EVERY DAY. Children should be encouraged to read at home daily and they need to be encouraged to complete their reading tasks in their purple book neatly, in detail and to a high quality, ensuring it makes sense and is related to the task set. Children will have their Purple task book changed weekly. A rota will be setup on the class noticeboard and children will be informed. All children will choose a library book to take home weekly. Your child will also be set up with books to read online on [www.activelearnprimary.co.uk](http://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk). We also encourage you to use this website <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/home/advice-for-parents/reading-at-home/>

#### Maths

Please encourage your child to learn addition and subtraction number facts to 100 as well as their times tables. Maths homework will be set according to the topic being taught each week. Often homework for Maths will be setup on [www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk). The children will be informed on what homework is set for them on a weekly basis. The websites below provide a fun way to engage your child in learning their times tables and number facts:

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables>

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy-multiplication.html>

[www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk)