

## What am I learning about this half term?

### Reading

For our fabulous reading lessons, we are going to be reading 'Charlotte's Web'. This is a classic book which explores friendship and courage. The story takes place on a farm and we meet a character called Wilbur and his best friend Charlotte. We will be looking at the author's choice of language and the impact it has on the reader. Get ready to fall in love with a wonderful story!



### Writing



Although I can't reveal much about our writing unit, I can tell you that we will be writing based on a film clip called 'The Lighthouse'. I am so excited to see everything that you have learnt in Year Two and how you apply it into your writing in Year Three. We will be learning about expanded noun phrases, different sentence types, apostrophes and writing to build tension.

### Maths

We are beginning our Autumn Terms Maths by exploring Place Value and Number. The children will use their understanding of place value to represent numbers up to one thousand in a variety of ways. Addition and subtraction will also be a focus and we will learn different strategies which help us to calculate. We will also be applying our learning to a range of problem solving and reasoning activities.



### Science



We are going to be 'Rock Stars' in Science where we will become experts on rocks and fossils. During this topic, the children will become rock detectives to learn all about different rock types, their formations and they will also find out about fossils.

## Religious Education

In our Christianity unit, 'What is the Trinity?', Year Three will be learning all about the three parts that make up the Trinity. They will learn about Baptism and Eucharist too and many Bible stories.



## Physical Education

Throughout our PE lessons this half term, our focus sports are going to be football and handball. The children will continue to develop ball control, improving control when moving around, and increasing the accuracy and control when passing, shooting and receiving. We will aim to improve decision making in game situations, allowing children to make passes and move into good positions to make it difficult for opponents. As always, the children will be encouraged to work well with others, communicating and collaborating, whilst being fair and respectful when competing against others. We will look at different variations of football and handball and learn about the rules that need to be followed.



## Art

Our fabulous Art unit this term is all about mixed media. We will be learning about lots of different techniques that can be used to create different effects. We will focus on an artist called Jean-Michel Basquait and his work on portraits. Then, we will create a final piece based on his style. Linking with our History topic, we will also learn all about cave paintings and even create our own!



## Music



This half term, we are focusing on composition and building up to notation where children will learn to create their own piece of music, play a melody with reasonable accuracy and perform with confidence and in time with others. We will also have great fun listening to different styles of music and learning about the musical features.

## Geography

We are beginning this term by practising our map skills and exploring different types of maps across the world! We will look at their features and purposes and have a go at reading and interpreting them, even drawing our own! We will learn about the 8 points of the compass too. We will also be learning about transport in the UK later in the term.



## History

We are going way back in time to The Stone Age period. The Stone Age period is the longest historical period known and we will be finding out all about Stone Age life and its people. To find out about Stone Age life, we will be exploring artefacts and looking at evidence from this time period.



## Design Technology

In Design Technology, we will be exploring the use of textiles. We will look at different designs and evaluate them. After that, we will then become designers and makers ourselves!



## PSHE

We begin our year as we always do exploring 'Me in My World'. Here we will learn about our relationships with others in school. We will think about setting personal goals and recognising our achievements. We will think about others and discuss the importance of rules and consequences and find out how these help us to get on with each other. We will even get to design our own dream school!



## Computing

This Autumn, the children will be learning about connecting computers. Pupils will become familiar with how technology has changed over time and how we now use technology in everyday life. We will explore the benefits of technology and how digital devices work.

