Cotwall End Primary School



Curriculum Newsletter Year 3 Spring 2024

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This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term:		
	English	Much of our English work this term will be inspired by our topic and the children will write for many different purposes including: ,diary entries, stories , play scripts and non-fiction. Children will also benefit from guided reading sessions per week, where they will work with an adult to develop their love of books and reading skills.
	Maths	In Maths, we will continue to develop confidence with mental, oral and written strategies using the four number operations. Rapid recall of times tables will continue to be a real focus in Year 3 and we encourage children to practise on TT Rock Stars at home for our weekly Times Tables Club.
Good Topic Work	Topic	Our new, exciting topic for the Spring term is <i>Land of the Pharaohs</i> . The children will explore the fascinating history of Egypt and research what it was like to live in ancient times. They will experiment with various techniques to create Egyptian artwork, as well as designing and making their own shadufs in our Design and Technology lessons.
	Science	In Science, we will be learning all about Forces and Magnets. This will include testing magnetic materials, the north and south poles of magnets and attraction and repulsion. We will carry out practical investigations. The Scientist we will learn about this term is Henry Ford.
1 000	Religious Education	We will be learning about Mother Theresa and the school values she displayed through out her life. We will also learn about a Christian miracle story from the bible. After half term we will be looking at ceremonies and festivals within Christianity.
	Music	This term we are lucky to have Mrs Gullick who will be teaching the children Music in Year 3. They will also continue to learn how to play the recorder as well as learning some Egyptian songs.
	PSHRE	We will learn about rules in our wider society and the importance of having rules. We will also look at our rights and responsibilities and what human rights are and how children have a right to an education. The children will learn about different jobs that adults can do and the importance os setting a goal.
	Computing	During the first half term, the children will develop their word processing skills and learning how to create and animate PowerPoint presentations. After half term we will look at block coding. As ever, E-Safety is given a high priority and we will cover this through each lesson.
	PE	We will be teaching the children gymnastics in the first half term, and then tennis after half term. Please continue to keep P.E kits in school. Year 3 also go swimming on a Monday morning. This will continue for the remainder of year 3. Please ensure your child brings their swimming costume/ shorts/ trunks and a towel and spare underwear and socks. The other P.E session will be on Friday.
1	Language	This term, the children will continue to learn French and our topics will be food and we will cover the core units which cover the basics of French such as colours, counting to 20 and things I like. Children will learn new vocabulary and hold simple conversations with a partner.

Additional information:

Weekly spellings and Maths and English homework will be set on a Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday. Please ensure that all jewellery is removed at home for PE lessons. Children need their reading books and reading records everyday.