



Orchards Junior School

Year 3 teachers

Mrs Harrocks (Year Leader)
Mr Hall
Mrs MorgansMills
Mrs Kingsbury
Mrs Williamson

Key dates

History Discovery Day- September 27th. Dressing up in the style of 'stone age'.
Parent Consultation Day – Thursday 12th October
INSET Day – Friday 20th October
Half term – Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October
Term finishes – Wednesday 20th December

Year 3 Curriculum outline – Autumn 2017

English & languages

- GRASP.Grammar, reading and spelling practice. Back to basics, consolidating year2 curriculum.
- Studying structure and content of Fairy Tales,role play,descriptive writing. Poetry studies and performance.
- Introducing ' Write Here Right Now 'responding to stories in a variety of ways.

Maths

- Place value -Ordering numbers, reading and writing numbers, estimating and approximating
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division - mental and written methods of calculation
- Handling data, measuring and recording length, reading and recording units of time. Introducing My Maths.

Science & Technology

- 'What's inside' studies of our skeleton, healthy bodies,the importance of healthy eating and exercise.
- Microsoft Office and The Orchard Network.Locating, saving andretrieving documents. The importance of keeping safe on-line. using the internet effectively.Typing skills.

History, Geography R.E.

- The Stone Age. discovering answers to childrens responses. Using timelines. Workshops and drama activities.
- Communities. Journeys. The christmas story.

Art, Design & Music

- Drawing and sketching. Using a variety of drawing medium. Picasso. Drawing and painting 'In the style of'.
- Food hygiene and table etiquette. Safety in the kitchen. Pneumatic systems .Sewing samplers.
- Rythmns and Rounds. Singing and simple percussion to enhance fairy tales.

P.E. & PHSCE

- Dance, gymnastics, invasion games and health related fitness
- Getting to know you - developing skills of communication and participation.

Mrs Harrocks says ...What a fabulous start to the Autumn term. Despite the gloomy weather all our year 3's looked smart and arrived at school smiling which was such a positive start to the day and term. Our first day was calm and buzzy at the same time with children eager to answer questions, fully engaging with our school 'SPARKLE' ethos. Children will have been given their P.E top which will need to be clearly labelled along with all other items of clothing and belongings. This will ensure any lost items can be returned promptly.

We have so many things to look forward to this term. School photos on Friday..Junior Governors and Eco Reps to be voted for and having their first meetings. Clubs letters will be sent home shortly and children will get a reply slip to confirm if they have a place. Some clubs do have waiting lists, but there are plenty of others to choose from in the meantime.

We have a Stone Age day coming up very soon where we invite the children to dress up and take part in a range of exciting activities to challenge and intrigue them. We are visited by 'Portals to the Past' which gives children the chance to participate in drama activities and workshops.

In English we will be studying different types of poetry and we are hoping to invite parents in to watch a mini performance.

We will be auditioning children who wish to take part in our Christmas Carol Concert and practising our singing.

All this and more!!! We hope to maintain this positive start...your journey at The Orchards begins.

Let us know what you think: Is there an aspect of our topics that your child is particularly interested in? What would they really like to find out/explore/investigate? Are they already an expert/skilled in any of these areas? Do you have a skill/expertise we could use?

Child's name:

Class:

Comments:

Please complete, detach and return to the school.

