



Orchards Junior School

Year 3 teachers

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

Key dates:

Feb 1st 2nd Greek discovery days & theatre visit.
Feb 9th Science Discovery day
HALF TERM FRI 9TH-FRI 16TH
World Book Day Thurs 1st March [Book Fayre]
Children to dress as a Book Character
Weds 7th March Year 3 Matilda trip
Parent Consultation Day – Monday 12th March
ARTS FESTIVAL Tuesday 27th March
INSET Day – Thursday 28th March
Easter holidays – Friday 29th March-Monday 16th April

Year 3 Curriculum Outline – Spring 2018

English & languages

- Studying and writing Greek Myths. Reading/dramatising/ looking at key features/ writing own.
- Masha and the Firebird..elements of Myths..descriptive writing. opportunities for speech and drama.
- Spanish - How to count. Simple conversation. Families.

Maths

- Place value -Ordering numbers including negatives, estimating and approximating. Shape...2D, 3D.
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division - mental and written methods of calculation
- Fractions - ordering and simple notation. Handling data, measuring and recording length, reading time

Science & Technology

- Rocks and solids. identifying key elements, investigating properties.Understanding how to look after our environment. Forces.understanding the terms friction and gravity.
- Lego Comic Builder.Internet safety.

History, Geography R.E.

- Exploring the key areas of Greek history from a variety of sources.
- World Geography. Researching countries in different hemispheres.
- Where do we look for God.? Rules and commandments.

Art, Design & Music

- Mixing Powder paints..shades and tones. working in the style of Klee . Sewing and embellishments.
- Exploring Emotions in Music. Identifying instruments and harmonies.
- D.T: Exploring pneumatic systems. using sewing skills to design and make Pugglies.

P.E. & PHSCE

- OAA - orienteering.
- Indoor athletics - jumping and throwing.
- Re-Cycling . Thinking about families and friends.

Mrs.Harrocks says.....**WOW!** what a fantastic start for our year 3's. We have seen a huge change already in their approach to school and all children are working towards being 'Sparkly'. Ties are now being expertly tied and children are keen to wear their their uniform and look smart at all times. Lost property is still an issue. If items are named we can ensure they are returned promptly.

We have had various theatre companies in school to enhance the curriculum. For our super start to our fairy tale topic Cinderella came and read and sang to the children. We also had a Greek God re-enact a Myth with the assistance of the children who all looked amazing in their Greek outfits. Such a huge variety of Gods, Spartan Warriors.Slaves and Mythical creatures. Our Greek days were jammed packed with food tasting, shield and pot making and a mini Olympics. All the children took part and made a fantastic finish to the unit of work. 'MOVE IT' was incredible with a huge amount of year 3 children performing at the Pavilion. What an incredible experience for a talented bunch. I cant wait for the Arts Festival. A positive start to the new year.

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?

Child's name:

Class:

Comments:

Please complete, detach and return to the school.

