



Curriculum Newsletter: Year 3 – Terms 5 and 6, 2016

Topic: Changes

<p align="center">LITERACY</p> <p>This term in Literacy we are learning about Greek and Roman quest myths. The children will explore the features of a myth and then have go at writing their own, using interesting description, powerful verbs and speech. After this we will be focusing on instructions. The children will look at a range of instruction texts to find the features and then include these when writing their own.</p>	<p align="center">NUMERACY</p> <p>In Maths the children will continue to work on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division strategies. They will be focusing on solving ‘real life’ problems including money, time and measures. The children will continue to develop their knowledge of times tables and apply these to solve patterns and problems. On Tuesdays, the children will continue to develop their understanding of shape with Mrs Ahmad.</p>
<p align="center">SCIENCE</p> <p>This term the science topic is plants. The children will find out the name of each part of the plant and they will learn about the life cycle of a plant. They will also carry out investigations to discover the best conditions to grow plants in.</p>	<p align="center">HISTORY</p> <p>The focus in History lessons is the Romans. The children will explore the growth of the Roman Empire and find out about daily life in Roman times, including the entertainment they enjoyed and the types of buildings they lived in. They will develop an understanding of the impact of the Romans on modern life.</p>
<p align="center">PE</p> <p>This term the children will be taking part in athletics lessons each Wednesday, improving their running, jumping and throwing skills. Please ensure your child has a pair of trainers for this lesson. Each Friday, they will be taking part in dance lessons, with a Roman theme. They will create their own Roman marching dance. After half term PE will involve gymnastics and outdoor activities lessons.</p>	<p align="center">ART/DT</p> <p>In art we will be learning about Roman mosaics. The children will find out what mosaics are and where you might find them. The children will then be using different methods to create their own mosaics, using paper squares and a printing technique.</p> <p>In DT the children will be creating a mini version of Pompeii. They will make a volcano and they will make parts of the city which can then be moved using hydraulics.</p>
<p align="center">ICT</p> <p>In ICT we will be foscusing on debugging. A ‘bug’ is a mistake or error in a piece of code. The children will have a go at identifying problems within simple programs and working out ways to change them.</p>	<p align="center">PSHE</p> <p>Topics in PSHE include relationships and changes. The children will be discussing ways of communicating effectively with others and thinking about how to solve any conflict that may arise. They will also be thinking about changes that have happened in their lives and how this may make them feel.</p>
<p align="center">MUSIC</p> <p>The children will conitnue to have violin lessons every Monday. They are really making progress with this and we will let you know when the next concert is!</p>	<p align="center">GEOGRAPHY</p> <p>During Geography next term the children will be finding out about Pompeii, linked to their history topic on the Romans. They will find out how the city changed due to the eruption of Vesuvius in 79AD, using eye witness accounts from Pliny the younger. They will discover what the city was like before and after the eruption, and what it is like now as a tourist attraction.</p>