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The Winns Primary School

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Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 1 - 2021



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Key events:

Poetry day on 7th October

Black History week beginning 18th October

History

Pre-historic Britain

The children will be learning about prehistoric events in Britain. They will be exploring questions such as:

How do we know about pre-historic Britain?

Which animals lived during the Ice Age?

What were the different periods of the Stone Age?

What was life like in a Stone Age settlement?

How did the Bronze Age change how people lived?

Art

Prehistoric Art

Learning about how and why art was created thousands of years ago, making homemade paints from natural materials and replicating painting techniques from the past.

Introduction

To kick-start the Autumn Term, we have some exciting units that the children will be covering. Please read our newsletter to discover the exciting learning opportunities planned for this half term!

The Year 3 teachers are:

Mr Uddin

Miss Masterson (Year group leader)

Intervention teacher:

Hannah Merriman

Support Staff:

Stephanie Canlas

Merita Ali

Natalie Jones

Caitlyn Garner



Home Learning

In Year 3, the children's homework will include:

- Daily reading, we would advise children in KS2 to be reading for at least 20 minutes per day and reading records to be signed by an adult or the child 6 times per week.
- Maths homework to support learning of the key facts e.g. timetables.
- Spelling homework

Homework will be given out on Friday and collected in on Thursday.

Science

Rocks and Fossils

Pupils will explore different kinds of rocks including those in the local environment. They will learn to identify and classify rocks according to whether they have grains or crystals, and whether they have fossils in them. Pupils will explore different soils and identify similarities and differences between them.



PE

Games

Children will learn a variety of ball skills which will include passing and receiving accurately.

Gymnastics

The children will learn to link various movements together using their bodies.

How to support your children at home

Please ensure that your child has a good routine and goes to bed at an appropriate time as lack of sleep can impact their ability to learn.

Keep us informed if you have any concerns about your child at home or in school.

You can contact us through the year group e-mail which is:

Year3@winns.waltham.sch.uk



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MFL

This half term we will be learning **French Greetings**.

The children will learn how to introduce themselves, use appropriate greetings to say hello, goodbye and goodnight and to ask and answer the question, 'how are you feeling?'

PSHE

This half term we will be focussing on '**Keeping Safe/Staying Safe**'

We will be discussing the following points with the children:

Who can I talk to – Support Networks both in and out of school for example, adults in school, child line, family.

Staying Safe and having appropriate boundaries with people who we do and don't know.

RE

This half term we will be studying **What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?**

We will be discussing;

- How Christians show their faith.
- The positives and challenges faced by Christians in Britain today.
- How Christians help others.

Maths

This half term we are learning about the **place value** of digits. Children will be learning to recognise, read, order and write numbers in different ways.

We will move on to **Addition and Subtraction** later in the term. Children will learn a variety of methods to help them solve calculations. They will also learn to apply their skills to real life problems.

Weekly Schedules:

PE days: Thursday and Fridays

Homework Days: Children's homework will be given out on Friday and collected in on Thursday weekly.

Reading: Children's reading records should be signed six times per week by an adult or the child. The children should read for a minimum of 20 minutes per day.

Final Word / Important Points

In Year 3, children no longer get a snack during the school day. Therefore, the children are allowed to bring a **fruit** into school to eat at playtime. Please do not give your child grapes as they are a choking hazard.

We are very much looking forward to working collaboratively with you to support your child's learning this year.

Computing

Emailing

Pupils learn how to send emails, including attachments and how to be responsible digital citizens. We will begin to discuss internet safety and how we can protect private and confidential information about ourselves. We will be using chrome books and I pads.

English

In Writing, we will be studying a number of exciting texts to inspire our young writers. When we are writing we will be practicing skills such as:

- Using punctuation accurately (. ? !)
- Adding description to make writing interesting.
- Using conjunctions to extend sentences (and, but, so, because, if, when)

Music

In Music the learning is focused around one song: **Let Your Spirit Fly**. When we are studying this song we will learn about pulse, rhythm and pitch; singing and playing instruments are all linked.