

English

The main themes for writing this half term are a non-chronological report in the form of an information leaflet and writing poems based on a specific structure (Haiku, Kennings and Cinquain). Our whole class reading texts are The Tin Forest by Helen Ward and Wayne Anderson, The Tree Lady by Joseph Hoskins and Jill McElmurry and various poems from the book 'I Am the Seed That Grew the Tree'. We will continue to develop our retrieval, inference and writer's choice skills through answering comprehension questions about the text. In spelling this term we will be learning many of the Year 3 Common Exception Words (CEWs). We will learn words with the prefixes 'super' and 'auto', look at some homophones and words spelt with /ch/ making the /ck/ sound.

Science

Our Science this half-term is about plants. We will be growing plants from seeds and then investigating the conditions needed for healthy growth. The children will label the main parts of a plant and describe their functions and will investigate the transportation of water from root to leaf. There will be opportunities to name the different parts of a flower and explain their role in pollination and fertilisation and to understand and order the stages of the life cycle of a flowering plant.

Geography

Continuing on from last half term, we will explore our local area and carry out some fieldwork relating to the environment and factors that can impact this in our local area. We will conduct a survey and collate our findings to share with others whilst discussing how we can help keep our environment clean and loved.

Computing

This half term we will use safe searching on the Internet for researching and gathering information about recycling and the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) ready to produce a persuasive poster using appropriate software. We will also use our database software to produce the results from our Geography fieldwork.

NURTURING NATURE

YEAR 3 SPRING TERM 2ND HALF

*Working Together to Build
Our Future*

French

This term we will look at vocabulary relating to families and pets. We will learn how to introduce our family members and say their names, which links back to our learning from Autumn where we learnt how to introduce ourselves. We will also look at the alphabet and begin to use this to spell our names too.

PE

This term we are developing our fitness skills. The children will take part in six different fitness challenges, record their performance and then develop their skills to improve their fitness levels. Our outdoor games sessions will focus on developing our cricket skills.

RE

We will be developing our understanding of Christianity. We will be looking at redemption and how Jesus died on the cross at Easter. We will be looking at the events that Christians believe occurred during this time period such as Passover.

Outdoor Adventurers

This half term we are very fortunate to be able to spend time in the Great Outdoors! We will have a weekly session in our school nature area working on fundamentals such as teamwork, confidence building, communication and problem solving.

Mathematics – Maths No-Problem!

We are looking at measuring mass and volume by reading various scales and recording measurements accurately. We will look at problem solving using the four operations and will then return to focus on number again specifically numbers up to 1000.

Art

This half term, we will be collecting leaves from the local area and using them to make leaf bowls. We will then be painting these. Later in the half term, we will be making abstract sculptures in the style of Barbara Hepworth.

PSHE

This term we will be focusing on money skills as well as not holding onto something that is wrong. We will be learning how to save money and how to budget for our money skills and for HeartSmart, we will be looking at how to forgive and how to challenge stereotypes.