



## Year 3

Here are the subjects your child will be taught and some ways that you can help. You can discuss this information further by making an appointment with the class teacher.

### Key Subjects

**Reading** – The children are assessed at the beginning of the year to establish their reading age and level. The children are then grouped accordingly for guided reading sessions and will have a reading book sent home every evening. Every child will read during a whole class reading session or the teaching assistant in class at least.

**Writing** – We encourage the children to develop a fluent handwriting style and they are expected to be able to join their letters in a neat and legible way. The children will continue their phonic phases to support spelling and weekly spellings will be sent home for homework. There is also a national drive on grammar and the children will have weekly grammar sessions to support the writing process. Throughout the week they will be expected to produce different styles of writing across a range of subjects. They will also produce a piece of independent writing regularly in our ‘Big Write’ which will be assessed by the teacher.

**Mathematics** – There will be a big focus on calculation and basic number skills in maths. The children will be taught how to use a range of mental and written strategies to add, subtract, divide and multiply numbers and apply this knowledge to solve problems and puzzles. Please ensure that your child is learning their times tables and division facts up to 12x12.

**PE** – We will cover a range of indoor and outdoor sports developing the children’s core skills; spatial awareness, balance, co-ordination, agility, endurance and fairness. We will be focusing on athletics in preparation for Sports Day!

#### How you can help -

Read regularly with your child and discuss the book read. Help them with their times tables/ mental maths strategies to add and subtract at speed. Always check they have done their homework and have a **full** P.E kit in school every week.

### Humanities

**History** – We will be focusing on Stone Age to Iron Age in the Summer Term.

**RE** – The children will learn about the five main religions of the world, with a main focus on Judaism this term.

**PSHE** – This term we will focus on transition and moving on in order to prepare the children for the next academic year.

How you can help - Visit local places of worship, museums or other places of interest to develop the children’s knowledge and understanding of the world around them past and present. Research subjects being taught at school either by using the Internet or the library.

### Sciences

**Science** – The children will be developing their scientific enquiry skills; observing, measuring, fair testing, recording and evaluating across a range of topics; which include Plants and Light and Shadow this term.

**Computing** – The children will develop a range of computing skills including; typing, coding, the use of emails, e- safety and music.

**D&T** – Our D.T projects will link to the history topics we are studying throughout the year.

How you can help – Always be aware of what your child is doing on a computer and use adult filters. Encourage them to research topics or make a PowerPoint about what they are studying. If you have time to please try to visit museums, nature reserves or other places of scientific interest to encourage the children to look at science in the world around them.

### Arts

**Art** – We will be linking our Art topics creatively to our History topic. We will also be focusing on patterns from other cultures as well as sketching of still life.

**Music** – We will be looking at a range of different types of music from around the world and developing the children’s musical skills; timing, pitch and tone. We will also be composing on the computer. Some children will also attend peripatetic music lessons and the school orchestra outside of class time to develop their skills further.

How you can help – Encourage your children to be creative at home. If they have a special talent encourage them to share it with us at school.

### Other Information

**PE Information** – Please ensure a PE kit always in school.

**Homework Information-** Homework is given out on Friday. Please try to bring it back at the latest by Wednesday. Reading is also very important and should take place every evening for at least ten minutes.

**School Trips/Visits** - A letter will be sent out regarding our trip shortly to the Chiltern Open Air Museum in June.