

Curriculum Overview Year 3

Autumn Term (1) 2018 Flint and Fire

We will be starting the first term at your child's new school with Settling In and getting to know each other and our new surroundings – linked to our PSHE learning. We will also spend time looking and understanding Merdon's HEART and IGNITE Values. Our focus value this half term is: INDEPENDENCE

English

In English this half term we will be using a number of books for our learning. These include; Blast to the Past and Stone Age Boy. Some of our focus skills will be rehearsing and improving our sentences; developing our sentence structure and improving our knowledge of spelling rules and applying them in our writing. We will also be using our visit to Testwood Lakes to help us write creatively. We are going to work hard on our handwriting skills, making sure all our work, including homework shows care and neatness.

PSHE

We will be deciding how to make our classroom into a great learning environment and thinking out our individual roles in achieving this. We will explore our rights and responsibilities and set up our own class charter.

DT

Using the book 'Ug' as a stimulus, we will be designing, making and evaluating a soft toy for the main character.

Maths

In Maths we will be starting with place value revision, then moving onto multiplication and division and the links between the 2 processes. We will be exploring 3D shapes, making our own as well as knowing their names and properties. We will continue our tables work using 2,5,10, 3 and 4s. We will be using addition and subtraction to solve problems and apply our number facts to our calculations. In our fractions work we will be extending our knowledge to include tenths. Our ongoing work will include telling the time. Please help us with this at home.

Knowledge & Understanding

ICT- We will be familiarising children with the ICT Suite and developing their word processing skills.

History - We will be learning about life in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age; making comparisons and looking at changes within this period. Our visit to Testwood Lakes will give us some hands-on learning. We will be posing enquiries and being History detectives to help us find the answers.



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Physical Education (PE)

Our indoor PE will be looking at telling stories through dance linked to our History work – telling the story of daily life. Outdoors, our focus is football. PE is on Monday and Wednesday. **Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school**

Creative Curriculum

R.E- God Talk – We will be exploring the idea of 'God' and what this word means to different people as well as ourselves. **Outdoor Learning -** We will be using the outdoor classroom to make our own paints to paint in the style of Stone Age/Iron Age people. **As much of our learning is outdoors, children will need to bring in outdoor clothing and wellies! We will let you know the dates for this.** **Music –** We will be exploring the theme of Mystic Moments.

Ideas for home

- Regular reading – Aim to earn a raffle ticket each week
- Keep practising your 2x, 5x and 10x tables. Can you beat your Rock Stars time each week?
- Encourage your child to talk about what they have been learning at school each day.
- Telling the time – use clocks at home.

Reminders and Events

Library Day will be a Friday – Please remind your child to bring in their library books.

17.09.18 NE visit to Testwood Lakes.
19.09.18 SE visit to Testwood Lakes.
19.09.18 Meet the Teacher
28.9.18 New parents and Macmillan coffee morning
4.10.18 English Parent Open Evening
11.10.18 Home Learning in
18.10.18 Year 3 Parent outcome (1:45-2:45)
19.10.18 INSET

And Finally..... Please remember that we are keen to ensure that that your child has the best start to their time at Merdon. Please come and talk to the Year 3 team if you or your child have any questions or concerns.