

Year 3 Curriculum Overview – Autumn term (2)

Our topic this term is: Healthy Humans

English

This term we will be learning about Fables (fiction), Poems with a Structure and Persuasive Letters (non-fiction). Our Fables genre will be based on a suggested text (Aesop's Fables by Michael Morpurgo). We will regularly listen to whole class read aloud; use dictionaries to check meanings of words; sequence and discuss the main events and themes in fables; identify key points in plot structure and write a fable with series of events. Our poetry genre will be based on shape poems, where we will identify the structure of shape poems, explore features of poems including the use of figurative language and write a poem with structure linked to our thematic topic of 'Healthy Humans'. Our non-fiction unit will be based on persuasive letters. We will discuss persuasive techniques, identify features and layout. Finally, we will plan then write a persuasive letter which will include the main key features of persuasive letters.

We will recap some words from statutory words learnt in year 2, and learn a range of spelling from the statutory word list for Years 3 and 4.

Maths

It is very important that by the end of Year 3 the children should know their x2 table, x3 table, x4 table, x5 table, x8 table and x10 table. There will be opportunities in class for the children to practise these tables. Any practise which your child can do at home will be most beneficial. Our learning this term will be focused on Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division. We will focus on applying our times-table skills to grouping and sharing.

Science

Throughout this Autumn term 2, we will continue our learning about animals and humans. Pupils we will be learning about human and animal diets, they will explore the classification of humans and animals based on their diet. They will also be taught about the different food groups and what makes a balanced diet.

Topic

The topic for this half term is called 'Healthy Humans'. The majority of the work we do will be based upon this theme. The lead subjects are Geography and Design and Technology. PE, RE, PSHE, Computing, Performing Art, RHE (Relationships and Health Education) and MFL will also be taught.

In Relationships and Health Education we will be focusing on families, love, security and stability in happy family relationships. We will also be looking at

the characteristics of caring friendships and mental well-being, feelings and 'me' time.

We know that we see you regularly at the start and at the end of the school day and this is a good opportunity to liaise about your children. If you would like to speak to us at greater length, then please arrange an appointment to meet with a member of the Year 3 staff through the office.

We will continue to send home knowledge organisers and homework grids to support children 's learning – please do encourage your children to make best use of these to help them with their learning.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

The Y3 Team