

Spring Term Curriculum Overview

Year 3 Spring 2026

English

Following the introduction of new school values, we will start the New Year off with poetry writing based on the value of Aspiration.

We will then be looking at a number of quality texts as a stimulus for our writing. We will begin with reading 'Stone Age Boy', and write our own stories with a similar plot. We will then move on to writing non-chronological reports about our history topic.

After half term, we will use the book 'The Bear and the Piano' to add to our story-writing skills and also look at the classic poem 'The Owl and the Pussy Cat'. We will end the term by writing a persuasive letter to convince people to move to Farnborough.

During 'Book Week', we will be investigating the style of writing that Charlotte Guillain uses in The Street Beneath My Feet.

Science

During the first half term, the children will be learning about forces with a focus on magnets.

Next, the focus will be on light and in both half terms we will continue our longitudinal study of the school pond and the flora and fauna surrounding it.

Trips and other information

In the first half of the term, will be visiting Buster Ancient Farm Park. In the second half of the term, we will have visit from a local estate agent in order to give us a reason to write our persuasive letters. We also plan to conduct a walking tour of the local area.

Please make sure that your child comes into school on their PE days in a full PE kit including team t-shirt, black shorts, jogging bottoms and trainers. Please also ensure that they bring in their water bottle every day; these are available to purchase at the school office.

Project Based Learning

History – We will be investigating 'Neolithic, Bronze or Iron Age: What's the big difference?' using a range of sources and resources. The children will then be developing their historical enquiry skills to understand what it was like at this time and use their knowledge to answer the key question.

Our second project will be 'Why do people choose to live in Farnborough?' – The main focus will be geography and learning about the human, physical and economic features of our area.

Art – We will be looking at textiles, with fabric printing based on the artist Lucienne Day.

Computing – We will be looking at Computer Science – exploring Scratch and creating simple algorithms and sequences. We will also be learning about inputs and outputs

DT – We will be designing and creating our purses to that could be sold in a museum.

Music – We will studying folk songs, sound symmetry and then Latin dance music.

PE – we will be learning hockey, tennis, dance and gym.

Maths

Throughout the spring term we will be looking at the following areas of mathematics:

- Geometry (2D shape, 3D shape and angles)
- Measures (Length, Time and Money)
- Fractions
- Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division
- Place Value

In addition to this it would be helpful to practise the following with your child as these are fundamental skills in mathematics and will support all their learning:

- Times tables (2, 5, 10, 3, 4 & 8)
- Consolidating knowledge of number bonds to 10 and 20 and applying this to larger numbers.

RE and PDL

RE this term will be based around the concept of Temptation and Crosses.

SCARF – the first half term we will be looking at 'Keeping Myself Safe' and then in the second half term we will doing 'Rights and Respect'.

Homework

Project – In the second half of the term, we will be asking children to research their local areas.

Reading - Please continue to hear your child read regularly at home and discuss the texts that are read.

Don't forget that your child should be recording their reading on their reading bookmark 5 times a week for the teacher to collect each Friday.