



Year 3 Newsletter

Spring Term 1

Mrs Bannan, Mr O'Boyle

English

This half term our focus will be adventure stories. We will be looking specifically at an adapted story of King Kong to grab the children's imaginations! We will be reading the story of Theseus and the Minotaur and looking at character descriptions. We will use this story and the format of Greek myths to write our own legends.

Maths

Our focus will be on multiplication and division. This includes the 4 times tables and recapping 2-3-5-10 times tables. Children are expected to take time using *TT Rockstars* at home to consolidate their learning.

RE

We will be asking the question: *Who believes in God?* Looking at different faiths and non-faiths, and discussing why we think people look to God for support and why people may turn away.

History

We go back in time to study social change during the life of Sir Robert Peel - the man who invented the Police! Actually, he improved and reformed the Crime and Punishment Acts regarding the laws, the punishments, the prisons and introduced a professional, educated police force.

Science

Our focus will be properties and changes of materials. There will be lots of investigations in this topic looking at categorising materials and looking at reversible and irreversible changes.

Homework

Online learning tasks will be set weekly via Purple Mash, Spellings and *TT Rockstars*. These sites offer a variety of fun games for your children to explore. We will be sending home paper copies of spellings and *TT Rockstars* each week.

Reading Books

All children have been given a reading record and we have asked them to fill this in as they read their books.

P.E.

Our P.E days have changed to Wednesday and Friday.

Dance is our theme supported by track and long-distance running. We use space as our final frontier to learn dance, rhythm and movement of the stars, planets, and galaxies. All children will be taking part in running over this half term. Working in pairs, using stop watches and developing running skills children will race against themselves to improve 'personal bests!'

Computing

We will be creating and using spreadsheets and graphing software that are a part of the online *Purple Mash* account. Children will use given data and generating their own data from questionnaires they will create and then use this data to populate a spreadsheet before printing off relevant graphs for presentation to their class.

Core Christian Value



Respect



16th February – last day in school break up for half term





LOVE



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RESILIENCE



ASPIRATIONS



TRUST



HONESTY

Our Golden Rules:



READY



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