

Lydgate Junior School

Curriculum Overview

Year 3 Autumn term 1

The theme for this half term is...

Local Study: What's Through the Window?

English

We will be revising the Key Stage 1 writing skills this half term and gradually building the children's stamina to write more. We will be using stories to inspire the children to write, starting with some Flat Stanley books, then we will read *The BFG* by Roald Dahl.

The children will learn about some word classes and how to use ambitious vocabulary in their writing. They will learn how to write instructions using imperative verbs and will write detailed descriptions of a setting.

You can help at home by encouraging your child to read widely and as often as possible. They could note down any new words that they read.



Maths

We will start by looking at our number system and the symbols we use to write numbers. The children will explore place value and use different representations to show the value of the digits in a three-digit number.

We will then work on mental addition and subtraction of ones, tens and hundreds.

We will be revising the 10, 5 and 2 times tables.

You can help at home by practising the times tables and by counting in 10s and 100s from different starting points.



Science

Our science topic is Animals including Humans.

The children will find out about:

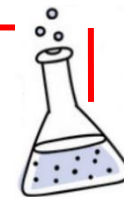
Skeletons – comparing skeletons of different animals,

Vertebrates and invertebrates,

How muscles work,

Food groups and how they help our bodies to grow and stay healthy,

The Eatwell Plate for a balanced diet.



Geography

Our geography topic focuses on the local area. We will start by looking at the book 'Window' by Jeannie Baker and describing different types of land use.

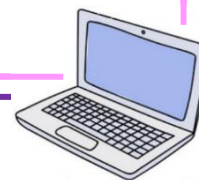
The children will look at and sketch maps of the school and Crosspool. They will also look at how the land use has changed over time by looking at photographs and maps.



Religious Education

Our RE theme is food and fasting. This half term, the children will explore:

The importance of food in religion, Harvest and being generous to others, Why Muslims fast at Ramadan and the celebration of Eid.



Other Subjects

Computing – Using Word to combine images and text, using Google Earth and Digimaps to locate and explore places in the World

PE – Fundamentals, agility and coordination

Music – RnB music

RHE – Keeping healthy, including diet, exercise and sleep

Spanish – counting to 10, greetings

Design Technology

Linked to our science topic, we will be looking at what makes a healthy, balanced diet. The children will look at food labels and consider how to make healthy choices. They will be designing their own jacket potato meal that they will prepare and eat during w/c 9-10-23.



RRS

The children in Y3 will be learning what it means to be a Rights Respecting School this half term. They will be introduced to the UNCRC and will understand that every child has these rights.

They will also look at the Whole School Charter and consider how it supports the Rights of the Child.

Linked to our science, RHE and DT work, we will be considering Articles 24 (health) and 27 (basic needs) in particular.



Enrichment Activities

A local walk around Crosspool to look at land use:

3-10-23 3BN & 3R/L

5-10-23 3JD & 3H/S

Making jacket potatoes.

