

Year 3 Endless Oceans Autumn



Literacy

Literacy will be taught through 'Talk for Writing' which enables children to imitate the language they need for a particular topic orally before reading and analysing it and then writing their own version. In our literacy topics we will be reading and presenting poems and then learning to write our own shape poems about a sea creature. We will also be learning about story writing by looking at the story of The Whales' Song. Our literacy this term will be very closely linked to our topic work. This will really help to bring the children's learning to life!



Maths

We will start the term developing and consolidating the four rules of calculation using the Nyewood Way. The children will take part in a weekly Times Table Challenge, with the opportunity to earn certificates for passing each League. We will explore shape and space, learn about fractions, and use data to create and interpret a variety of graphs and tables. The children will learn to tell the time in both digital and analogue format. All of these skills will help the children to solve word problems and complete investigations in real life contexts. Reasoning skills will tread through every topic.

Computing

An exciting new curriculum awaits the Year 3 children this term! We will be discovering how to log in and out using a secure password, learning about the key parts of a PC, including keyboard shortcuts, saving and opening documents, searching the internet and presenting our findings.

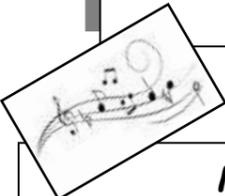


French

In Year 3 the children begin to learn a modern foreign language and here at Nyewood Juniors we teach French. The children will begin by discovering countries around the world that speak French. Then they move on to saying how they feel and learning to ask questions.

Art / DT

We will look at fantastic seascapes to inspire our art this term, with the aim to produce our own masterpieces using water colours. Making a magnet game will be our goal in DT, having worked on the construction and considering the most appropriate design.



Music

We have a busy term ahead in music! As well as composing and listening to music, the children will be taking leading roles in learning and performing traditional Christmas Carols.

Topic

Our topic this term is Endless Oceans. We will begin by exploring the world of the sea by listening to and learning poems about different sea creatures. We will then discover more about the seas and compare the UK and Caribbean. We will also look in depth at the life of Grace Darling and discover her heroic actions one stormy night.



Key questions driving learning

- Why do sea creatures live in different areas of the world?
- Who was Grace Darling and why was she an inspiration?
- Which famous artists painted seascapes?

Geography

During the term, the children will be finding out differences between Bognor, UK and Kingston, Jamaica. The children will be looking at the weather, temperature and the sea creatures which live in the local waters of these locations. The children will present their findings to the rest of the class and draw conclusions as to why creatures from either the Caribbean or UK waters live where they do. In science we will be learning about animals including humans and we will explore forces and magnets.

Physical Education

The children will be learning new gymnastic and netball skills in the first half term. They will go on to learning and performing a dance routine and developing their footballing technique.



Living and Reflecting

The Year 3 children will continue their transition into the Junior School, working around the themes of friendship, resilience, rules, routines, trust and perseverance. They will be working with a Year 4 buddy to help them settle into their new classes, and they will maintain this partnership throughout the year. In RE, the children will begin their journey learning about Hinduism and focusing on the Hindu temple or mandir. After looking at the features of a mandir they will learn about 'puja' or Hindu worship and role play some of the acts of worship. Then they will watch short video clips about the different Hindu Gods and learn why Hindus have so many of them.

