

# Year 3 Newsletter



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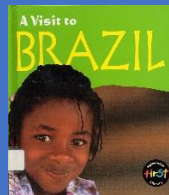
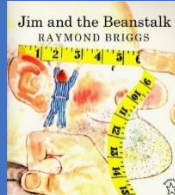
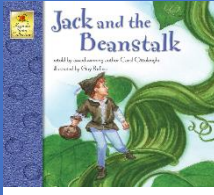
## Summer Term 1

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April-  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Our topic theme for this half term is called 'Welcome to the Jungle'.



### What will we read this half term?



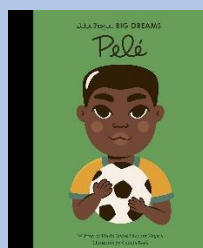
### What will we learn this half term?

This half term, we will be travelling to South America, in particular – Brazil!  
We are looking forward to going on our visit to RHS Bridgewater on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May. This will compliment our work on plants. The children will be participating in a workshop called 'exploring plants', as well as having lots of opportunities to explore the wonderful gardens.

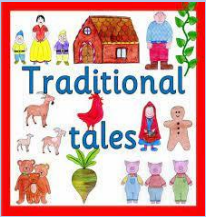
### Our School Values

**Achieve Care Value Listen Help**

Our focus for this half term's value is 'Achieve and Help'. We will be learning about the life and achievements of Pele, the Brazilian footballer. Pele was known for his positive attitude, and his collaborative work in a team.



## English



We will be reading Jack and the Beanstalk and talking about what makes a story a traditional tale. We will be talking about new vocabulary in the text, and making a story map of what happens.

Later on we will be writing a new version of the story by writing about what happens to Jack when he goes to market to buy a pig!

In this work we will look at narrative and try to include some in our own writing.

Following on from this, we will read Jim and the Beanstalk, which was written as an alternative story to the original traditional tale.

## Maths

Our maths work this half term will start off with finishing our work on volume and capacity. We will then move onto:

fractions:

- adding and subtracting fractions
- finding unit and non-unit fractions of a set of objects

Money:

- adding and subtracting money
- converting pounds and pence
- Finding change

Time:

- Roman numerals to 12
- Telling the time to 5 minutes and the minute
- Reading time on a digital clock
- Days, hours and minutes
- Solving time problems



## Science – Plants



Our trip to RHS Bridgewater in Worsley will complement our science topic of plants this half term. We will be learning about what helps plants to grow, and conducting controlled experiments on plants to see what happens when we take some of these conditions away.

We will be learning about the functions of different parts of a flower and experimenting to see how water can travel up the stem.

## Geography – South America -Rio and South East Brazil

In geography we will be locating South America and then Brazil on the world map. We will find out what life is like in Brazil, and how the climate can affect both the landscape and human and animal life in this part of the world.



## Computing –Desk top publishing - Creating /editing images adding text

We will be looking at how to move pictures around.

We will be working towards creating a newspaper which we will based on our topic of South America and Brazil.



## PSHE- Relationships

Through circle and reflection time, the children will be thinking about roles and responsibilities within their own family, as well as their friendships with others. They will re-visit how to keep themselves safe when online, and then think about what it is like to be a member of the wider community and their place in the world.



## Art – Observational drawing – plants and flowers – Georgia O’Keefe



Our art starts off by looking at shapes in everyday objects and looking carefully to draw what we see.

We will move on to look at some of the work of Georgia O’Keefe, who was known for her drawings of all things botanical.

We will be drawing in the style of O’keefe and adding colour to our work.

## Music - Bringing us together

Our focus will be a disco song called – Bringing Us Together. It is about friendship, peace, hope and unity. The children will be –

- Listening and appraising the song.
- Using different notes on glockenspiels to join in and play along.
- learning to read and use some basic notation.
- learning about pulse, rhythms, notation and tempo.
- singing



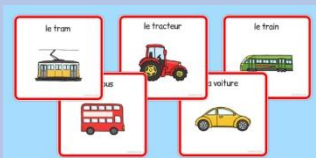
## P.E. – Tennis



This half term, Mr Cole will be working with the children on their tennis skills.

They will be learning how to stand and hold the racket correctly, as well as different shots which can be played.

## French – transport



Children will develop their conversational skills using french vocabulary for transport, directions and movement. They will learn the verb ‘to go’ – aller. They will be able to use Je – I and Tu – you in their sentences.

## Homework

As usual, a piece of English and Maths homework will be sent home every Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday.

Spellings and timetables will be given every Friday, and tested the following Friday.

Please continue to read with your child as often as possible. This may be their school reading book, or a shared book at home.

We have some very interesting topics for the half term ahead, which we are sure our children will enjoy and share with you at home.

As always, please chat to us at the door if you have any worries or concerns, or make an appointment for later in the week.

Kind regards,

Mrs Oakes and Miss Fell