

Year 3 Newsletter



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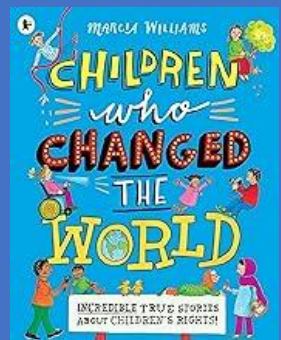
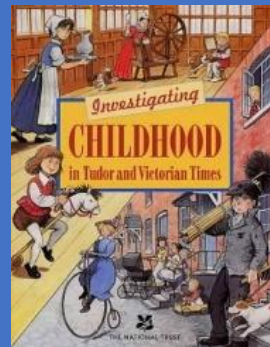
Summer Term 2

Monday 8th June – Friday 24th July 2026

Our topic theme for this half term is called :



What will we read this half term ?



What will we learn this half term?

English

We will be reading an adapted version of *The Wind in the Willows*, learning about the characters of Toad, Ratty, Mole and Badger. We will be finding out what happens to Toad, and writing a sorry letter from Toad to apologise for the things he has done.

This will also link to our trip to RHS Bridgewater Gardens where we will follow the *Wind in the Willows* trail.

Through our new history topic – How Children’s lives have changed through time, we will be using the information gathered to write a chronological report about the changes that children went through both in work and leisure activities. The children will also be writing a profile about themselves and their own interests ready to give to their next teacher.

Maths

In maths, over the next few weeks, we will learn how to:

Tell the time

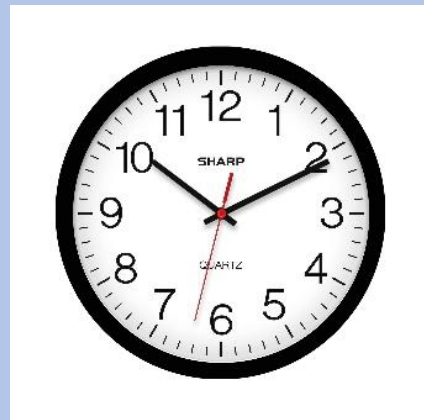
- Tell the time to the nearest minute
- Match digital time to analogue

Statistics

- Interpreting, collecting and representing data
- Draw and interpret bar charts
- Draw and interpret pictograms

Shape

- Learning about turns and angles
- Parallel and perpendicular
- Recognising and describing both 2d and 3d shapes



Science – Light and Shadow

Through a series of investigations, we will be finding out about the importance of light, looking at reflective surfaces, in particular, mirrors. It is a good time of year to learn about sun safely and hopefully, use the sunlight to make and change different shadows.

History - How Children’s Lives Have Changed Through Time

Children will be exploring every aspect of a child’s life from the Tudor times through to the current day. They will be looking at how toys and leisure time have changed, and how children were sent to work at a young age, especially during the Victorian era. They will be comparing their lives to those of children in the past.



PSHE

Our PSHE topic this half term is called “Changing Me”. We will learn to how we are all unique and special and that over time, our bodies grow and change. We will start by thinking about babies and how they grow. We will then discuss changes, both inside and outside our body, sw we grow. This will include the basic differences between girls and boys.

We will have an opportunity for the children to discuss how they feel about changes as they get older.

Music – Reflect, Rewind and Replay

Bringing all our skills and learning together, we will be listening and appraising a variety of different music, such as L'Homme Arme, by Robert Morton and Ain't No Mountain High Enough, sung by Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell. The children will have an opportunity to compose their own work with a focus on rhythm. They will revisit other songs from earlier in the year.

Look out for the year 3 music performance on Thursday 2nd July at 9a.m. in the school hall. All parents and carers welcome.

PE – Cricket

The children will practise throwing and catching a tennis ball using a straight arm throw. They will be taking part in batting and fielding skills and learning to play as a team.



French – Les Glaces!

In our French work this half-term we will be learning about 'Les Glaces' (ice creams)! We will learn the vocabulary needed to choose different flavours and use the phrase 'je voudrais' to ask for what we would like to order in a cafe role play situation. Our numbers will be used again when asking for a certain number of scoops and we will learn the words for tub and cone to help vary our requests. As always our work will cover the four strands of language learning - speaking, listening, reading and writing.



Homework

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

Don't forget our trip to RHS Bridgewater is on Wednesday 24th June, leaving school at 9am. If you haven't already done so, please pay via Arbor. This also gives your child consent to be taken out of school.

Kind regards,

Mrs Oakes, Miss Kelly and Miss Fell