

Welcome to Spring 1 in Year 3

Here is a brief summary of what will we be learning this term.

As writers, we will be learning to write portal stories that take the character back in time with a focus on describing settings and objects. We will be focusing on using effective language, including adjectives and fronted adverbials in our grammar learning. In spelling we are focusing on polysyllabic words, year 3 and 4 common exception words and common homophones (e.g. there, their and they're.) In handwriting we will continue to learn the letter joins with an increase in flow and fluency.

In reading, we will be exploring extracts and the story settings of the books; The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe and Podkin One-Ear. During this unit, children will read and visualize the settings of these books. We will also be looking at the poem 'If all the world were paper' by Joseph Coelho.

As Mathematicians we will be learning to represent 3 digit numbers and positioning them on number lines. We will also look at mass and capacity.

As Scientists we will be investigating and learning all about different rocks, soils and fossils and how they are formed.

In Religion and Worldviews, we are focusing on Diversity within Hindu Dharma. We will answer the overarching question: Why is Diwali an important festival to Hindus?

As Artists, we are developing our painting skills, learning to vary the colours and textures in a landscape to create mood and feeling. Our artist appreciation unit focuses on the work of David Hockney.

In Computing, we will be animating, making simple animations linked to our History topic.

In PSHE + C, our theme is 'Be You, Work Hard'. Children will be discussing the importance of working hard, alongside their hopes and dreams. They will also reflect on how to keep a positive mindset to counteract disappointment.

In French, we are learning about instruments and learning to say and write a simple phrase.

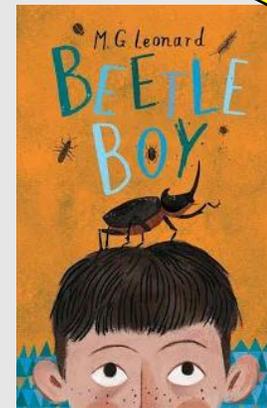
As Historians, we are learning about the Romans, focusing on the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain.

[Click here](#) to view Year 3's Knowledge Organisers on the Curriculum page of our school website.

In PE, our learning focus is using the Cognitive cog. We will be focusing on the skills of balancing and coordination using balls. We will identify areas where we can improve and recognise what we are good at.

As Musicians, we will explore how sounds are produced and classified. How China explores the pentatonic scale and demonstrate ways of notating pitch.

Our next class book:



Our PE days are every Tuesday & Friday.

