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Term Ahead: August - October

Primary 3

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been lovely seeing the children back in class and we are enjoying teaching them. They have been enthusiastic in their approach to their learning. We thought we would share with you what we will be working on with them this term.

<p style="text-align: center;">Literacy and English</p> <p>For reading, we are using our class novels, as well as working on reading comprehension tasks and encouraging reading for pleasure individually in class. We will also be using Word Boost to develop vocabulary.</p> <p>Writing; we are creating a series of imaginative short stories inspired by our farm topic and our woods.</p> <p>Grammar and punctuation will be revised with a focus on the use of appropriate punctuation and sentence structure.</p> <p>For our spelling this term our focus will be revision, consolidation and increasing our knowledge of common words. We will be focusing on a different spelling pattern every week, as well as looking at days of the week, months and numbers.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Numeracy and Mathematics</p> <p>We have been revising previous learning and focussing on aspects they have still to learn at this stage.</p> <p>Within Numeracy, this term we are focussing on the basic number functions of addition and subtraction. We will be developing their strategies to become confident counting on and counting backwards using numbers up to 1000. We will also be focussing on place value, where we will be learning to identify the value of digits 0 - 9 in three digit numbers.</p> <p>Our focus beyond this is to look at money where we will be learning how to use money to pay for goods and developing strategies to find the total cost of goods and give change within £20.</p> <p>Currently we are using Seal and White Rose Maths to support our numeracy and maths lessons. We will also be using Sumdog to further support our learning and teaching.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Learning Across the Curriculum</p> <p>Our topic this term is farming, specifically where our food comes from and how this relates to a healthy eating, the aim of which will result in the children cooking a lunch with fresh ingredients.</p> <p>Health and Well-Being will focus growth mindset and emotional and social wellbeing. We are exploring with the children what tools they require to manage the current situations.</p> <p>For Outdoor learning the children will be taking part the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) Wild Challenge exploring our local area and helping wildlife. We are working towards or bronze award</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Admin</p> <p>P.E: will take place on Wednesday for P3b and Friday for P3a with the PE specialist Mr Murray.</p> <p>Homework: In line with the school homework policy, we have issued an optional Home Learning Wall which pupils can choose to complete at home at their leisure. In addition to this we ask that all pupils please read regularly at home to improve all aspects of literacy and practise their times tables to increase confidence in multiplication and division.</p> <p>Outdoor Learning: We will have outdoor learning on the following days: P3A: Wednesdays. P3B: Thursdays Please ensure your child comes to school prepared for outdoor learning in all weathers, wearing clothes and</p>

	footwear that can get dirty and wet. We take every opportunity to learn outdoors (despite the weather!) so please ensure your child comes to school with a waterproof jacket.
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If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Stuart Riches & Donna Main
Class Teachers