

English (Reading and writing):

Text drivers/books to share

The BGF - Roald Dahl

Reading

Year 2 and 3 will continue to develop their decoding and comprehension skills during English and Guided reading lessons. The children will read text extracts and larger chapters of the text for fluency and in order to gain information for their reading. Please visit your child's Oxford Owl account for daily Read Write Inc. Phonics homework and access to the e-library for additional reading.

Writing

Year 2 and 3's writing focus will be a narrative. The children will have the opportunity to plan and create settings, characters and a story line as they write a continuation of the famous BFG storyline. Within this writing topic, the children will focus on building suspense and using descriptive writing techniques. In addition, a focus will be put upon using a range of punctuation including inverted commas and maintaining a tense within their writing.

Physical Education:

In PE, Year 2 and 3 will be focusing on their ability to maintain control and possession in a sport that uses equipment such as hockey.

During this half term, the children will develop their hand eye coordination skills while using equipment to complete different dribbling, passing and shooting activities.

Religious Education: Christianity

This half term, Year 2 and 3 will focus on the religion of Christianity. In this unit, we will look at the faith in general, how Christians show a welcome to others (relating to Palm Sunday) and how their belief in the Christian faith revolves around the Easter story.

DISCOVER: (Curriculum support)

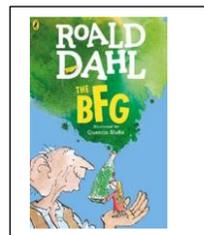
History:

Year 2 and 3 will be focusing on creating timelines linking to the birth and life span of famous artists from Europe. This historical activity will enable the children to develop their sense of chronology and order in regards to the development of art and artistic styles.

CREATE: (Curriculum Support)

Art/ DT: For this half term, Year 2 and 3 will focus on famous artists and their individual artistic styles. The children will learn about how art has developed through history and plot famous artists along a timeline to represent these developments. In particular, Pablo Picasso will be studied and his use of block colours, paint as a medium and cubism. The children will learn how to use and gain control when working with paint, how to paint for different effects and how block colours can represent meaning.

Music: Year 2 and 3 will look at how music styles are affected by the geographical location they come from and the economic status of the area. In addition, children will continue to develop their understanding and use of rhythm, different pitched notes and length of notes while mimicking or creating their own musical pieces.



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Modern Foreign Languages:

In French, the children will be learning about how to construct verbal sentences using different word classes such as verbs, adverbs, conjunctions and adjectives to describe nouns. The children will look to practise their verbal use of each element before bringing them together to speak a whole sentence.

PSHE:

Year 2 and 3 will be focusing on the topics of "Healthy lifestyles" and "money." Within these topics, the children will look to develop their understanding and self awareness of different aspects of each topic. For example, the children will look to learn and explain how following simple hygiene routines will reduce the risk of illness or infections spreading. Each lesson will be taught in alignment with the SCARF teaching framework and approach all subjects in an age related and specific manner.

Mathematics:

In mathematics, Year 2 and 3 will be working on the following domains:

Number and place value, addition and subtraction, division, fractions, time and statistics.

In addition to tackling these National Curriculum objectives, the children will be stretched and challenged to apply the newly taught skills through challenges and problem solving activities and mathematical investigations.

We continually practise the children's number bonds to 10 and 20 as well as their times tables within school. Please visit your child's Times Tables Rock stars account to continue this support at home.

STEM

Science: This half term, the class will focus on the topic of "Plants." The children will investigate how the parts of a flower operate, their specific job and the role in which they support the flower in its life cycle. We will also look to explore pollination and seed dispersal methods.

In addition, Year 2 and 3 will conduct experiments to support and guide their learning. This hands on approach to science will support the children towards answering their longitudinal study questions:

Y2: Why do some trees look the same all year and others change?
Y3 Are there more plants at the Mead or at Godshill Primary School?

Computing: This half term, the topic focus in ICT will be digital photography and recapping the basic functional skills when using laptops. During this very exciting topic, the children will be identifying how digital devices can take and display different types of photographs (landscapes to portraits) and how to verbally evaluate what makes a good photo.

EXPLORE: (Curriculum support)

Geography:

This term, Year 2 and 3 will be using their geographical knowledge and language to locate the birthplaces of famous artists on a map. The children will need to use their map skills and understanding of the 8 point compass in order to locate and describe the positions of such places, answer questions and complete quizzes.