

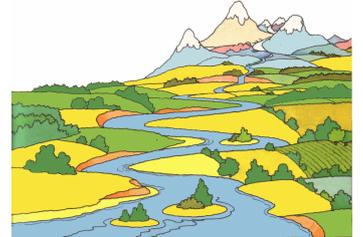
Year 3 Summer Term Newsletter 2018

The information below outlines the learning that will be taking place in Year 3. This term, a large part of our learning will be based around the topic of rivers. Our big question is, "Are all rivers raging?"

Geography

In geography we will be:

- * Using maps and atlases to locate rivers around the world, Europe and the UK.
- * Finding out about river features at different parts of the river.
- * Learning where and why people have settled near rivers.
- * Looking at how rivers have shaped landscapes.
- * Building on learning from fieldwork at Castleshaw - 4th May.



Literacy

In literacy we will be:

- Reading and writing information texts.
- Reading and writing poems.
- Learning about the features of different types of letter.
- Writing letters for different purposes.
- Researching a famous author - Roald Dahl



Grammar, punctuation and spelling lessons will take place each week. This learning can be reinforced at home by completing homework that is set on www.spag.com.

Children will continue to have weekly spellings tests every Thursday.

It is important that children continue to read at home. Every Monday, green reading record books are monitored and it is expected that children will have a minimum of three entries per week. It is important that your child takes the responsibility for recording home reading in his/her book. An adult should sign each entry.

Maths

In maths, learning will include:

- Consolidating 3,4, and 8 times tables and division facts.
- Recognising equivalent fractions.
- Adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator.
- Comparing and ordering fractions.
- Recognising right angles and comparing angles.
- Recognising angles as a property of a shape or a description of a turn.
- Developing reasoning and problem solving skills in all of the above.

Please help to improve your child's confidence and achievement in maths by helping them to learn the times tables facts and related division facts for the 3, 4, and 8 times tables. Maths homework will sometimes be set on MyMaths. **Please ensure that your child checks his/her portal and completes all set tasks (If your child does not have access to the internet, they can complete the tasks in school).**



Science

In science, our learning will centre around the question, "Can I leave my shadow behind?" The children will investigate how shadows are formed and how they change.

PE

Lessons will focus on athletics and tennis.

As the warmer weather arrives, we will be enjoying our PE lessons outside. An outdoor PE kit will be required. Please don't buy anything new! Trainers, shorts/leggings/jogging bottoms and a warm top will do. Your child needs to be warm and able to move around freely.

Indoor PE kits should be kept in class, just in case we have to use the hall. Due to limited space in our cloakroom area, could I please ask that outdoor PE kits are not sent into school until Wednesday morning. They can remain in school Wednesday evening, ready for Thursday's lesson, then they will be sent home.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be learning how new plants are made using the 'God the Master Designer' booklets.

RE

In RE we will be learning about the Jewish faith, rules for living and Jesus the man who changed lives. We will be visiting St. Mary's church and the Jewish Museum in Manchester.

ART

In art, we will be investigating and creating paintings of river landscapes.

Computing

We will continue to use I-pads and laptops in a range of subjects. The focus for this term will be on algorithms and programs. Children will learn how to plan complex instructions for floor turtles.

Please look at St Mary's School website to view photographs from last term:

<https://www.stmaryscecrompton.oldham.sch.uk/>

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Fricker ☺