



## SPRING FIRST HALF TERM - CURRICULUM MAP

### Topic Work and Humanities

Topic for this term will be a study of Italy, with a geography focus. The children will be developing their maps skills, comparing physical and human features as well as exploring the similarities and differences between the two countries.

Year 3 will begin the term with an exciting WOW day to immerse and engage them in the topic.

### Science

In Science we will be learning about forces and magnets. We will compare how objects move on different surfaces and create friction, as well as discovering how some forces need contact between two objects.

The children will be conducting and evaluating their own force investigation, ensuring they are methodical and that the investigation is fair.

### Maths

This half term we will be continuing to develop skills in fluency, including mental subtraction and problem solving.

We will be focusing on fact families, written methods for addition and subtraction and times tables before moving on to fractions.

### English

We will explore alternative versions of Traditional Fairy Tales through the book 'The Wolf's Story'. We will be exploring the characters differing perspectives using drama and classroom debate. The children will then use these skills to write their own fairy tale from a character's viewpoint. We will be developing our independent writing by creating an explanation text linked to our Science topic.

### P.E. and Sports Events

P.E. will now be on Monday mornings and Friday afternoons for all of Year 3.

We will be continuing with dance, in which the children will improve their performance techniques and interpret music through movement. We will also start gymnastics.

### Computing

We will continue looking at how to create a table of data in a spreadsheet and use it to create graphs and charts or to work out calculations. We will also be using '2Type' which is designed to help the children learn the basics of quick and efficient typing.

### Enrichment and Home School Learning

We will continue to work towards our *100 things to do whilst at Tannery Drift*.

Please support your child with their times tables and spellings. Children are expected to read at home at least 3 times a week. We also ask that each child completes 5 games per week on the Spelling Shed – login details can be found in your child's reading record.

### Arts

We will have whole-class guitar lessons every Wednesday morning, when we will learn to read music and play simple tunes.

We will be creating Venetian carnival masks and food collages inspired by Arcimboldo. We will also be looking at the work of Italian artists such as Leonardo Da Vinci.

### Religious Education and Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In P.S.H.E. we will be looking at goal setting – how personal goals can be achieved with the help of others and how they themselves can offer help to each other. In RE, our focus is the theme of belonging across a range of religions and comparing beliefs through reflection and class discussions.

All teaching and activities may be subject to change depending upon progress, outside events and the children's interests