



Curriculum Overview - Year 3

Autumn Term 2 – 4th November 2024 – 20th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We will be covering a range of exciting and engaging subject areas this half term as outlined below.

English	<p>We begin the term learning all about fables. The children will read and immerse themselves in three different fables – The Lion Inside, The Koala who Could and The Squirrels Who Squabbled. They will learn all the features of a fable, and several writing skills and techniques including ‘show not tell’ and how to include prepositions in their writing. The final written outcome will be to write their own fable to entertain.</p> <p>Our next text will be non-fiction, and is called ‘Incredible jobs you’ve (probably) never heard of’. The children will look at features of a non-chronological report as well as learning about different jobs around the world. The final outcome is to produce a double-page non-chronological report on their ‘dream job’ with lots of oracy practice along the way!</p> <p>Our whole class guided reading text this term is ‘Escape from Pompeii’. It links very well with our Geography unit this term. We will read this in class 3 times a week and complete several activities based on the book. Please ask the children questions about it and any new vocabulary they have learnt!</p>
Maths	<p>Our maths learning this half term will focus on: Place value, column addition and subtraction, number word problems, geometry and statistics.</p>
Science	<p>Our topic this half term is <u>Forces and Magnets.</u></p> <p>Through various investigations and questioning the children will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investigating the movement of vehicles on different surfaces, children learn about the impact of friction and compare uses and drawbacks.

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PE	In PE this half term the children will be developing their gymnastic skills in PE lessons with Miss Fox. PE will take place on a Tuesday afternoon.
RE	Our topic this half term is Vistors and the children will : Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The demands and joys of visitors – Explore • Advent: waiting for the coming of Jesus – Reveal • Acquire the skills of assimilation, celebration and application of the above – Respond
Humanities Arts Computing	Geography – Volcanoes DT – Constructing Castles Computing – Coding RSE – e.g. All about Me Music – Creating compositions in response to an animation
Home Learning	Daily Reading – 10-15 minutes (Please update BoomReader when you have read at home). Times Tables Rock Stars – 15 minutes 3x per week RE- Wednesday word which is available on the school website. Google Classroom- There will be homework issued on Thursdays, due in for the following Thursday. This will be a Maths and Spelling 2do task on PurpleMash.

Our PE and Outdoor Learning day will be on Tuesdays.

Weather

Now the weather is colder, please ensure your child brings to school a **labelled** jumper or cardigan and that they have a suitable coat and welly boots to wear to enable them to take part in outdoor learning and go on the field at lunchtime.

Please also ensure your child brings to school a named water bottle each day and snack for morning break.

Continue to check the school newsletter, website and Facebook page for important dates and information.

Should you have any questions or anything you wish to discuss please email admin@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk or phone the school to make a telephone appointment.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Fox