



Curriculum Information - Year 3

Spring Term 2 (23rd February 2026-27th March 2026)

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have a very exciting half term coming up! The children will be focusing on writing a personal narrative in English, based on the key text 'The Proudest Blue'. In Maths they will continue to build on their knowledge and skills with multiplication and division and then move on to fractions. We will also explore Antarctica in Geography, Chinese New Year in music, and wearable technology in DT lessons.

English	<p>For the first half of the term, we will be completing a unit of work linked to two books 'The Proudest Blue' and 'Jabari Jumps'. The children will use these stories to write a personal narrative based on something they have experienced in their own lives. We will focus on key writing skills such as dialogue, similes, and the power of three.</p> <p>Once this has been completed the children will build on their poetry skills from Autumn 1. We will focus on Calligrams and look at the key text 'Love that Dog' by Sharon Creech.</p> <p>Our Guided reading text, will be 'Icetrapp' which is based on the life of Ernest Shackleton.</p>
Maths	<p>Our maths learning this half term will continue to focus on: Multiplication and division including the 3-, 5-, 4- and 8-times tables with a focus on statistics including bar charts and word problems. We will then move our learning on to Fractions; ordering and comparing fractions, adding and subtracting fractions, and problem solving with fractions.</p>
Science	<p>Our topic this half term is Light and Shadows.</p> <p>The children will learn :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How to identify examples of light sources, and that light is needed to see and how its absence causes darkness.

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PE	In PE this half term the children will be doing Dance . PE will take place on a Wednesday .
RE	Our topic this half term is Desert to Garden. We will look at Events of Holy Week. The Last Supper and the first Eucharist. Liturgy of the Eucharist. We will also be performing our Easter play this term which is very exciting!
Humanities Arts Computing	Geography – Who lives in Antarctica? DT- Wearable technology Computing – Touch-typing Music – Pentatonic melodies and composition (Theme: Chinese New Year) RSE – Religious understanding
Home Learning	Daily Reading – 10-15 minutes (Parents to update Go Read Online record) 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 Thursday, due in for the following Thursday. This will be a Maths and Spelling 2do task on PurpleMash.

Weather

As the weather is unpredictable this term, 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.

Please also ensure your child brings to school a named water bottle each day and fruit/vegetable 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 Pickering