



## Curriculum Information - Year 3

### Spring Term 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term the children will be looking at 'The Iron Man' in English, which links nicely to our topic in science 'Forces and Magnets'. Following on from prior learning about The Stone age they will learn all about the Bronze Age to Iron Age in History with links in Music and LOTC. In Maths the children will be focusing on Multiplication and Division. RE will continue to be taught discretely.

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| <b>English</b> | <p>For the first half of the term we will be completing a unit of work linked to the book 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. The children will be completing different activities including role play, writing a diary entry and letter writing. The final outcome of writing will be to write their own narrative ending to the story.</p> <p>Once this has been completed the children will build on their poetry skills from Autumn 1. We will be reading 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright and the children will write and perform their own free verse poems.</p>  |
| <b>Maths</b>   | <p>Our maths learning this half term will focus on: Multiplication and division including the 3, 5, 4 and 8 times tables, statistics including bar charts, word problems and fractions.</p>  |
| <b>Science</b> | <p>Our topic this half term is Forces and Magnets.</p> <p>The children will learn :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Compare how things move on different surfaces.</li><li>• Notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act a distance.</li><li>• Observe how magnets attract or repel each other.</li><li>• Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials based on whether they are attracted to a magnet.</li><li>• Describe magnets as having 2 poles.</li><li>• Predict whether 2 magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing.</li></ul> |

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| <b>PE</b>                                | In PE this half term the children will be developing their Dance skills and developing their coordination and teamwork skills in PE lessons with Miss Fox.<br>PE will take place on a Monday morning.   |
| <b>RE</b>                                | Our topic this half term is Local Church – Journeys. The children will :<br>Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A journey through the year</li> <li>• The Liturgical year</li> <li>• The seasons of the Church’s year.</li> <li>• Ordinary time</li> <li>• The feast of Our Lady.</li> <li>• Jesus wants us to love one another.</li> <li>• The Christian’s life journey of prayer.</li> <li>• The Communion Rite.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Humanities<br/>Arts<br/>Computing</b> | History- Bronze Age to Iron Age<br>Art – British Artists<br>Computing – Touch-typing<br>Music – Mrs Kee will continue to teach music linked to the topic<br>RSE – e.g. All about Me   |
| <b>Home Learning</b>                     | Daily Reading – 10-15 minutes (Parents to update Go Read Online record)<br><br>Times Tables Rock Stars – 15 minutes 3x per week<br><br>RE- Wednesday word which is available on the school website.<br><br>Google Classroom- There will be homework issued on Friday, due in for the following Friday. This will be a Maths and Spelling 2do task on PurpleMash.  |

### **Weather**

As we are now experiencing cold weather, please ensure your child brings to school a 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 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](mailto:admin@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk) or phone the school to make a telephone appointment.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Fox