

English

This half term in English, we will begin by publishing our work on The Tear Thief, showcasing the wonderful writing the children have produced. We will then move on to our next focus text, My Name is Not Refugee, which will inspire the children to write a non-chronological report about refugees, helping them to develop empathy and understanding through their writing. Following this, we will be writing a set of instructions on How to Make Your Holy Communion, linking our English work to an important event in the children's lives. In Grammar lessons, we will revisit prepositions and explore how prefixes and suffixes change word meanings. We'll also be learning about time conjunctions and how to use paragraphs effectively to structure our writing. Our class reader this half term is the fun and imaginative, 'There's an Alien in the Jam Factory' by Chrissie Sains.

ART

Sculpture - We will explore 3D sculpture by shaping and joining card in different ways. We will learn the difference between 2D and 3D art, identify shapes in objects and spaces, and create abstract sculptures inspired by play equipment.

PE

Athletics – We will develop our running, jumping and throwing techniques. They will be set challenges for distance and time. The children will be challenged to achieve their greatest speed and distance or accuracy to achieve their personal best.

Science

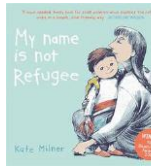
This unit 'Light' takes children through lessons where they learn how to: recognise that they need light to see things and that dark is the absence of light. They will learn how light is reflected from surfaces. We will learn how to recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object; and they will find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change.

Music

Jazz - This half term in Music, children will explore jazz by learning about ragtime, singing syncopated rhythms, and improvising with scat and instruments. They'll also compose and perform simple jazz motifs using swung rhythms.

Religion

Ends of the Earth – We will begin with the story of Jesus on the road to Emmaus, where two of his disciples' experience both despair and joy as they realise Jesus is truly alive. From there, we will study the Ascension and how Jesus instructed his eleven disciples to go out into the world, baptising and teaching in his name—marking the beginning of their mission as apostles. We will then learn about the Early Church and the incredible power of the Holy Spirit at work. The children will also explore the dramatic conversion of St Paul, one of the greatest apostles chosen by God. Finally, we will reflect on the mystery of God, learning that there is only one God in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.



Computing

Video Trailers: In Computing, we are working on an exciting project where students are planning and creating their own book trailers. This involves learning how to take meaningful photos and videos that help tell a story visually. Students are developing their video editing skills by using software to piece together their footage, add text, transitions, and sound effects to bring their trailers to life. As part of the process, they are also learning how to evaluate their own work.



Year 3 - Summer Term 1



MFL

Taught by our French teacher, we will learn basic vocabulary and phrases for introductions, greetings, numbers, colours, and classroom objects.

PSHE

Citizenship - We will continue to learn that children have rights and how these benefit them. This half term, we are also continuing our Zones of Regulation lessons to help children recognise and manage their emotions. They will learn to identify different feelings, understand how these affect behaviour and use strategies to stay calm and focused.

Maths

We will learn about fractions, including writing unit and non-unit fractions, showing equivalents, and adding or subtracting fractions with the same denominator. We will also compare and order fractions and solve related problems. In time, they will practise reading analogue clocks, including Roman numerals and 12-hour/24-hour formats, and measure time to the nearest minute. We will also compare durations and learn about seconds, minutes, and days in months and years.

Geography

How has the landscape and land use of the United Kingdom changed over time? - We will be learning how land can be used in lots of different ways and how to use Ordnance Survey maps (using 4 figure grid references) to locate different land uses in my local area. We will use online mapping tools and aerial photographs to locate different land uses in the UK and we will study the land uses in a contrasting location in the UK to where we live. We will sketch and annotate the land uses seen in our local area and Carrington Moss.