

Literacy

Throughout the Autumn term, Year 3 literacy lessons will be focused mainly on narrative based writing. This will encourage the children to use their imaginations and draw from their own experiences. Within this style of writing, we will introduce the children to a wide range of example texts, which will expose them to a wider range of vocabulary which will support their writing as they move onto different literary genres and writing styles.

Music

Music lessons will alternate throughout the course of the year to ensure all children have the opportunity to explore different areas. Key focuses will include: ukulele, glockenspiel and different musical genres such as reggae.

PE

Outdoor PE: Football

Children will practice passing and receiving shots on both sides of their body and develop their control when doing this. Children will also develop teamwork skills and learn about the effects exercise has on the body.

Recommended Reading and Visits.

Cresswell Crags –visit

The Stone Age Boy - by Satoshi Kitamura

The First Drawing - by Mordicai Gerstein

UG- Raymond Briggs

Numeracy

During this term, pupils will begin to refine and develop their mathematical skills using the four operations with a large focus on place value. They will begin to develop their understanding using manipulatives; then apply these skills in reasoning and problem solving scenarios to appreciate the 'real-life' context that mathematics works to ensure that their learning is purposeful.

ICT

Pupils will increase their knowledge of ICT using 'Purple Mash'. We will begin by focusing on 'Online Safety' understanding what makes a safe password, and the consequences of giving your passwords away. We will then begin to develop coding skills to create algorithms with an object and action, then using problem solving skills to debug.

RE/SMSC

Children will learn about the values of their own communities and what worship means within Castleford and the wider world. They will explore the world and what impact God has on this by looking at similarities and differences within Methodist churches and how they worship compared to that of a Church of England church.

PSHCE/SEAL: Drugs, alcohol and tobacco education

Children will be learning the effects and risks tobacco has on our bodies. As well as, being able to help somebody become help free and the benefits that has. We will also be learning about the symptoms of asthma.

Science: Rocks and Soils

Within Science, children will investigate rocks and soils in a practical way. Children will compare natural and man-made rocks and gain an understanding of the different types of rocks and soils and how they are both formed. Throughout the topic, children will explore the different properties rocks have and how weathering can change them over time. Children will enquire about the process of fossilisation and discuss the different types of fossils and where they are found.

Parent Topic Web – Summary of context for the term

Survival of the fittest. What makes good survivors?



Humanities

As Historians this term, children are going to be investigation the Stone Age Period and how people used natural resources to survive. In order to do this, children will be taught through enquiry based lessons so that they have the opportunity to develop their critical thinking and realise that history is an interpretation of the past, using evidence to support ideas and theories. Through the use of a 'real' stimulus the children will be working towards a Stone Age themed Christmas Market using the knowledge they have gained from over the term.

Art/DT

Children will be exploring cave painting from the Stone Age Period and why these pieces of ART were made. They will develop skills including, layering, sketching, tearing and painting, whilst looking at different textures. They will also be using research to help inform their ideas.