

Science

Year 3 will investigate how things move on different surfaces, the strength of different magnets and why magnets attract or repel different materials.

Visit www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize and look in **KS2 Science** for a selection of science videos.

History

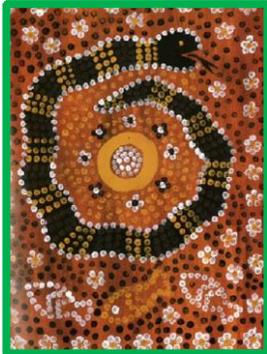
Stone Age: The children will use a variety of historical evidence to compare different periods of time and explain how people lived in the Stone Age. They will also consider how new archaeological discoveries can change the understanding of the past.

Geography

The United Kingdom: The children use maps to understand what the landscape is like in the United Kingdom. They will learn what the Earth's surface is like and investigate where water is found and how it is recorded on a map. The children will also learn about different climates and consider what it is like to live in hot and cold places.

Art

This term the children will be learning key skills and techniques to improve their drawing and creating paintings based on patterns.



How can I help at home?

Make it clear that you value homework – set aside a specific time and area for your child to work on their homework.

Encourage your child to **read a variety of texts**, not just books from school.

Listen to your child read and ask them **questions** about the text to help their **understanding**. Discuss what happened, for example ask your child would you make the same choices as the characters? Why / why not? Encourage your child to back up their opinion with evidence from the text.

Encourage them to do **every day mathematics** such as telling the time, using bus/ train timetables or working out the total / change in a shop.

Help your child practise their **2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables**.

Help your child to be organised:

- Have you got your **book bag**? Needs to be in school **every day**.
- Are **ALL** your reading books inside it?
- Is your homework completed? It needs to be submitted by **Wednesday**.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Year 3

Parent Information Booklet

**What your child will
be learning about
this term and how
you can help at
home**

Autumn 2020

What we will be learning this term...

Religious Education

The children will learn about the experience of family in society today. They will explore God as the loving parent of the human family and Jesus' family relationships. The children will learn about belonging to different types of groups, such as families, clubs or social groups. They will learn about the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. Year 3 will learn about Advent in the lead up to Christmas.



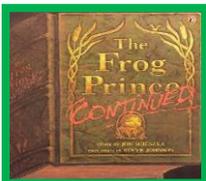
English

This term year 3 will be studying a range of texts including traditional and non-traditional tales, stories from other cultures and poetry. They will be reading *The Frog Prince Continued* by John Scieszka, *Grace and Family* by Mary Hoffman and Caroline Birch, *The Julian Stories* by Ann Cameron and *Hot Like Fire* by Valerie Bloom. These texts will be used to model writing and extend skills in vocabulary, grammar and spelling.

Grammar: Children will learn to use the following in their writing:

- speech marks, commas and possessive apostrophes (to show belonging e.g. the girl's book).
- suffixes and prefixes to change the meaning of words (e.g. tidy – untidy).

Reading: In daily Destination Reader lessons, the children will be developing their reading fluency, comprehension skills and ability to read with expression.



How you can help: Encourage your child to read a variety of literature, including magazines, fiction and non-fiction books written by different authors. It would be helpful if you could hear your child read on a regular basis, asking them questions to make sure they have understood.

Maths

Number – Number and Place Value

Knowing the place value of each digit in a 3-digit number, e.g. 452 = 4 hundreds, 5 tens and 2 ones;

* Reading, writing comparing and ordering numbers up to 1000 (in both numbers and words)

* Counting from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100;

Addition and Subtraction

* Mentally adding and subtracting numbers 1s, 10s and 100s up to 3-digit numbers;

* Adding and subtracting numbers up to 3 digits (with regrouping) using the column method;

* Adding and subtracting 10 or 100 to any given number;

* Adding and subtracting amounts of money to give change

* Solving problems, including missing number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction.

Multiplication and Division

* Writing and calculating mathematical statements for multiplication and division using the multiplication tables that they know, including the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

* Counting from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100;

How you can help:

* Help your child to learn and practise the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables.

Practise mental calculations by questioning your child on times tables and simple addition and subtraction of pocket money. Play card games and board games, such as Monopoly.

PSHCE

The children will be learning about bullying and what to do if it happens. They will also talk about resilience: learning tools they can use to help us to carry on and bounce back from difficult situations. They will also be learning about food groups and how best to keep their bodies healthy.

How you can help: talk to your child about their feelings and who they can talk to at school if they have a worry.

PE

This term, Year 3 children will take part in 30 minutes of teacher-led physical activities every day.

During these active sessions, the children will keep moving and increase their fitness levels.

All activities will be noncontact and will not involve sharing of equipment.

Children will wear their school and must have suitable plain black trainers or shoes with grip.



Spanish

The children will focus on how to greet each other and hold a simple conversation (e.g. good morning and How are you?) and they will continue to learn new vocabulary.

Computing

This term the children will begin to learn about online safety, when using computers at both school and home. Children will be designing, writing and debugging programs that accomplish specific goals.

How you can help: Have a conversation with your child about being safe online, for some informative and age appropriate videos to start conversations visit:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/