



The Orchards Primary Academy

Where learning has no limits and personal growth is endless...

Curriculum Newsletter for Autumn term 2

Year 3

Welcome to the second half of the Autumn term. Please see an outline of some of the exciting things happening this half term. Should you have any questions, worries or concerns, please see Miss Palmer or our phase leader Miss Bayley.



Mathematics	We are currently learning about addition and subtraction in mathematics. We are learning the skill of estimation and adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers with regrouping. Once we have finished this unit we will be moving onto perimeter.
Writing	Currently in writing we are learning about how to create a character description on a character from the 'The first drawing' text. Our model text is about a boy in the Stone Age who creates the world's first ever drawing to show his family what he can see. We have learnt a range of grammatical devices for example similes and expanded noun phrases to use in our final pieces.
Reading	Some of the class are still going to phonics sessions to consolidate their prior learning and the rest of the class are focusing on the book 'The building boy' and picking apart and answering a range of comprehension



	based questions. Once we have finished the book we will create a book review to express our thoughts and opinions on the text.
Science	In Science, we are moving on to looking at what forces are and how magnets work.
Geography	This half term our humanities lessons switch to <i>Geography</i> , we are learning about what settlements are and the different ones that can be found in the UK for example cities and villages.
PE	Ball skills and dance
Art	Sculpture and 3D: Abstract Space and Shape
Design Technology	Digital world: Wearable technology
Computing	Scratch
Music	Mr. Hughes, our talented music teacher is working with year 3 in their music lessons
French	Colours in French
Religious Education	Christianity - The Christmas story
PSHE	Celebrating difference

Home Learning:

- Homework is handed out weekly and should be returned the following Monday. Homework is: Math's 'Quick 10' which are quick quizzes of key skills; grammar homework linked to in school grammar lessons; 10 spellings to practise before assessment day.

PE

- Our PE days are Tuesday and Friday . Plain black bottoms, a white polo shirt or t-shirt, a plain black hoodie and black pumps or trainers.