



Reepham Church of England Primary

Year 3 Newsletter September



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Term Value: Respect

In **collective worship**, the children will be considering the meaning of respect. This will include showing an appreciation for everyone and everything, including themselves, others and the environment. They will learn that it involves treating others the way they want to be treated, recognising uniqueness of each individual, and valuing differences within the school community and beyond.

Musician of the term: The music genre the school will be listening to is Pop music. In Year 3, we will be focus on Shakira whilst considering: *Should we all learn a different language?*



Reading remains the heart of our curriculum and children should continue to read their book at home. In Year 3, if children complete their Reading bookmark, they will be entered into the reading raffle. We encourage children to read for 15 minutes at least three times per week.

Our class reader is 'The Alien in the Jam Factory' by Chrissie Sains we will be considering how the author creates humour. In our Whole Class Reading lessons, we will be reading 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons' by Andy Shepherd.



Writing:

In writing, we shall be studying the book 'After the Fall'. We will be looking at letter writing and this wonderful story leads to discussions about how to set goals for the future. Will also be using the story 'The Black Hat'; learning how to write character descriptions and how to edit and improve a piece of writing. We will also be focusing on the grammar skills of different sentence types, sentence punctuation and noun phrases.

Maths:

We will begin this term learning the Place Value of numbers to 1000. We will then learn to add and subtract two and three-digit numbers.

Pupils will benefit from continuing to practice their times tables at home and TTRockstars is a brilliant way to do this. As well as their 2, 5 and 10 times tables, the Year 3 curriculum expectation is to be fluent with 3, 4 and 8 multiplication facts.

In **History** we are learning about 'The Railway Revolution'. The children will discover why transport improved during the industrial revolution and how the railways changed the lives of the British people.

In **Geography** we will be studying where food is produced around the world. But before we look globally, we will begin with a local study where the pupils will identify what Lincolnshire famously produces. The children will experience this first hand when we go to celebrate 'Lincolnshire Day' at the showground and the children will take part in a variety of workshops.

In **PE** we will focusing on the skills needed to play Tag Rugby. This will include, how to score a try, passing and attacking and how tagging is a defending skill. They will also be taught how to hold and throw a rugby ball correctly.

In **Science** we will be looking at Rocks and Soils.



We will be investigating the properties of different rocks and learn to compare and group them. We will also learn how fascinating fossils are formed.

In **PSHE** we will be looking at online privacy, including how we can keep ourselves safe online. This will lead us to the big question; 'How do we treat our friends online?'

We will also will be learning about the British Values where they will develop their understanding that we live in a diverse, multicultural and democratic society and that this is important and brings many benefits. In this unit, children learn about what living in a democracy means.

In **French** we will be learning to ask and answer the questions 'How are you?' and 'What is your name?'. We will learn how to count to 10 as well as learning the colours in French. The children will gain an understanding of where French is spoken in the world.

In **RE** we will be learning about Hinduism. Focusing on the key question: What do Hindus believe God is like? This unit supports the principal aim of RE, which is to explore what people believe and what difference this makes to how they live, so that pupils can gain the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to handle questions raised by religion and belief, reflecting on their own ideas and ways of living. We will learn about karma, the cycle of samsara and Moksha. Finally, will think about how our beliefs impact our actions.



In **Art** we will be creating gestural drawings using charcoal. We will look closely at the work of artists Laura McKendry and Edgar Degas as well as a technique called 'Chiaroscuro'.

In **Music** the children will be developing call and response techniques with a safari theme.

Additional Information:

Year 3 have PE on a Tuesday and a Thursday.

We also give out homework each Wednesday which is to be returned by the following Tuesday.

Year 3 children will have a weekly times tables test every Friday.

Class Trip: Wednesday 1st October. Lincolnshire Day at the Showground.