

Year 3 Autumn Term Overview 2023



Welcome to an exciting term! I am very happy to be back in Jersey and teaching Year 3 at Mont Nicolle!

Key Information:

- P.E. is on a Monday and Wednesday.
- Spellings will be given out every Friday to prepare for our weekly test the following Friday. The spellings will be based on the rule the children have learnt that week.
- Please ensure children are reading at home and recording it in their reading records. An adult signature at least once a week is requested.

Computing

Throughout this term we will be learning how to use Word, and PowerPoint, to insert images, page borders and text boxes. We will also explore how to save our work in our own folder.

English

In English we will be studying 'The Tin Forest', 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx', 'Lost Words' and 'The Day of Ahmed's Secret'. All of our English lessons will be around these texts, focusing on reading, writing, grammar, spoken language and spelling.

In Reading, we are starting daily whole class sessions. Together, we will explore a variety of text types that build on our reading skills and support our comprehension of what we read.

In Year 3, we are aiming to have our own book and our reading records at our desks every day. This is to encourage reading for pleasure and can be a choice from home or school (which they can also take home).

Art/DT

Our Art will link to our history topic: drawing an Egyptian Pharaoh and designing, making and evaluating an Egyptian shaduf.

R.E

The focus this term will be Christianity, exploring the questions 'What do Christians learn from the creation story?' and 'What is it like for someone to follow God?'

Maths

In Year 3 we will be focusing on the following units of learning:

Place Value
Addition and subtraction
Multiplication and division
Shape

In our lessons, we will use a variety of concrete resources to support our learning and ensure lots of opportunities for problem solving.

At home, continuing to practise times tables will support all maths learning. Times Tables Rockstars is available for children to log in and enjoy practising their maths.
<https://trockstars.com/>

History

During the first half term, we will be focussing on 'Ancient Egypt'. We will explore how they lived and what artefacts tell us about the past. We will also learn about Tutankhamen and the famous pyramids.

P.S.H.E

In PSHE, we will be focusing on 'Safety and Risk', looking at what the rules are to keep us safe. Later, we will be exploring 'Feelings and Friendship' and thinking about responding to bullying.

PE

Our focus this term will be dance, kicking, gymnastics and fitness. We are lucky to have Jersey Sport with us on Mondays!

Geography

In Geography, during the second half term, we will be focussing on the topic 'Jersey and Egypt'. In this topic we will be using maps, atlases and computer mapping, as well as fieldwork studies to locate and describe the human and physical features.

Science

Our first focus for this term will be 'Magnets and Forces' in which we will be learning all about pushes and pulls, progressing onto magnets and magnetism.

Our second focus is 'Animals Including Humans'. We will learn that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement, as well as the type, and amount of nutrition required, to stay healthy.

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