

Aycliffe Village Primary School

Lime Class - Year 3

Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2018



What are we learning this term?

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a good Summer and that you are looking forward to the new term ahead.

Read on to find out about the interesting things that we will be learning about this term.

English

- Year 3/4 Spelling Rules and grammar
- Guided Reading Groups

Writing linked to:

- Tidy (Emily Gravett)
- Poetry
- The Witches (Roald Dahl)
- World War 1
- Film Study

Mathematics

- Place value - numbers up to 1000
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

Science

In our first topic we will discover how we can stay healthy. We will investigate how our bodies move using our skeletons and muscles and how the food we eat is important for keeping us healthy. Look out for a food diary to complete.

In our second topic we will investigate forces and magnets. We will find out how different objects move on a variety of surfaces and all about the properties of magnets.

Geography / History

Geography - Local Area - We will focus on map reading skills such as identifying geographical symbols, using a compass to describe direction and how to use four figure grid references on an Ordnance Survey map of Aycliffe Village.

History - Change - Stone Age to Iron Age - Who was here before me?

We will investigate three distinct periods of British history (the Stone Age, the Bronze Age and the Iron Age) to develop their understanding of a significant time or place. Children will use a range of sources, including archaeology, to find out about and compare each of the periods respectively.

Art and Design Technology

Art - Woodland theme - drawing from observation, water colour painting - learning how to create the three dimensional effect, observing and studying other artists work, experimenting with shades and textures of paint and working as a group to create a 3D forest scene.

D&T - will be linked to History topic; food and either designing and making an artefact or a structure next half term.

Computing

- eSafety
- Programming - learning how to use Scratch
- Cross curricular links through other subjects for example in geography, Science and Literacy.

Religious Education

- How do Hindus worship?

Music

- Animal Magic (Animals in music)
- Play it again (Rhythm games)

French

French will be taught through two curriculum afternoons each term where the children will learn about France and develop their language skills through singing and games.

Your support with your child's learning can make a big difference to the progress they make.

Please remember:

- Listen to your child read as often as possible (we encourage children to read at least 4 times a week) and ask them questions about their reading to check their understanding of the story. **Every signature in their reading record counts towards our whole school reading challenge!**
- Every class will now have their homework given out on a Friday to be returned by the following **Wednesday**. Please support your child to complete their homework and to hand it in each week.
- Have a clean PE kit in school at all times (white T-shirt, dark shorts, trainers. Tracksuit bottoms will also be helpful as we try to have PE lessons outside whenever possible)
- Your child will need their swimming kit every Wednesday, this needs to include a swimming cap.

Please contact us at school if you have any questions or would like any further information.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Hunt and Mrs Vest