

Year 3—Summer 1 Topic Overview

We are excited to announce that our topic for this half term is 'Blue Planet'. Throughout our studies, we will delve into the ways human impact biodiversity negatively on our planet, while also exploring solutions. Additionally, we will delve into textile art, creating our own woven seascape artworks, experimenting with weaving patterns, embellishments, and textures. In Science, our focus will be on rocks and soils, investigating the fundamental question: What is the Earth made from? We are looking forward to an enriching and insightful term ahead!

Blue Planet

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Reading

In Book Talk lessons, we are reading, 'A Planet Full of Plastic' where we learn about the impact of plastic pollution on the planet, including its effects on wildlife and ecosystems. This half term, we will be focusing on retrieval and prediction skills.

Writing

In English lessons, we are reading, 'Flotsam'. We will be writing part of the story, to match the pictures, to create a sense of amazement. Then, we will be reading 'Greta and the Giants'. We will be writing an informed speech to persuade the giants to stop destroying the rainforest.

Maths

This half term we will be learning about fractions, understanding the numerators of non-unit fractions, comparing and ordering non-unit fractions and learning about equivalent fractions. We will also be learning about mass and capacity, understanding how to measure and compare masses, and measuring capacity and volume in millilitres. Alongside this, in our Maths Fluency lessons, we will be consolidating our 2, 3, 4 and 8 times tables.





Geography

In Geography, we will be learning about the world's oceans, including their locations and the importance of preserving their biodiversity. We will also explore topics such as ocean pollution, particularly focusing on the impacts and solutions to plastic pollution, fostering an understanding of environmental stewardship.

PSH

(Personal, Social, Heath Education)
This half term the theme is 'Valuing
Difference', where we will explore diverse
family structures including: adopted,
fostered and same-sex relationships. We
will also develop our listening skills and
respectful language and learn strategies for
addressing bullying.

Science

In Science, we will be exploring the fascinating world of rocks and soils, learning that rocks and soils are materials composed of minerals found on the Earth's surface and below. We will discover how rocks forms cliffs, hills and mountains. We will also look at sedimentary, metamorphic and igneous rock.

Art

In Art we will explore textile art through weaving, discovering how colours and textures contribute to creating a vibrant watercolour seascape. We will then design our weaving pattern, selecting embellishments, and use a variety of materials and textures to craft our own woven seascape artwork.

Games and PE

In Games, we will be developing our athletics skills by practising our running, jumping, throwing and catching. We will use our PE lessons to use counts of eight to help stay in time with each other and the music in dance.

RE (Religious Education)

Our concept in RE is 'Celebrating'; we will be learning about how Buddhists celebrate the festival of Wesak.

French

In French this half term our focus is 'Les Fruits'. We will be learning to name and recognise ten fruits in French, ask someone in French if they like a particular fruit and say what fruits they like and dislike.

Computing

In Computing, we will begin to understand what the term data means and how data can be collected in the form of a tally chart. We will learn the term 'attribute' and use this to organise and present data in the form of a pictogram.

Key Dates:

Earth Day Theme Afternoon—Monday 22nd April.

Yellow Photos in for class photos—Thursday 2nd May.

World Cultural Diversity Theme Day - Tuesday 21st May.

INSET Day—Friday 24th May.

Homework reminders:

Reading - x3 weekly at home Please sign your child's home/school diary.

Google Classroom - homework will be set on Google Classroom on Friday and will be due in on the following Thursday. This will consist of either a MyMaths task OR a Writing task, TT Rockstars, Spellings and an optional 60 Second Read task.

House Points and Effort Marks will be awarded for homework that is handed in.