

### **English**

Our focus for this half term is a fictional text called 'Oliver and the Seawigs'. Explore, interpret and respond to illustrations in a book. To enjoy a story and discuss its meanings. To build an imaginative picture of a fantasy world, based on real life experiences. To explore a story and its experiences through role play and through writing in role. To write stories from another character's point of view based on the story that has been read.

### **Computing- Online Safety**

This half term, we shall explore how to stay safe online, protect our identity, passwords and email safety.

### **History**

In our history this half term we will be looking at the lives and achievements of many great explorers throughout history, including Ibn Battuta, Robert Falcon Scott, Neil Armstrong and Ann Bancroft. Our focus will be on their achievements and discoveries, and what impact these have on our lives today. We will use a range of sources to find out information these incredible people. The children will have the opportunity to further their investigative skills as they will also have optional homework to find out more information on some of these explorers.

### **Art**

This term we will be looking at a range of colour mixing techniques and blending skills, with the aim being for pupils to consistently produce watercolour washes and use blended colours to add depth to their work. We will also be looking at a range of illustration styles, with a focus on the illustrator of our class text, Sarah McIntyre. Pupils will have the opportunity to produce their own illustrations to accompany segments off our class text and their own work. Finally, we will also be using clay to produce models of characters from our class text, as well as using junk modelling techniques to decorate them and give them 'seawigs'.

### **Science- Fossils and Rocks.**

In science we will be looking at rocks, soil and fossils. Pupils will learn about different types of rocks, how they are formed and will be conducting several investigations to determine their individual properties. We will also be investigating how soil is formed and what goes into its making. Finally, we will be learning about fossils and will make our own imprint fossils.

### **PE**

In this unit, our key skills are coordination and static balance. We shall focus on perseverance, challenging ourselves and responding in a positive way even when things become tricky.

## **Year 3 Curriculum Overview - Autumn 1**

### **Maths**

To start our Year 3 learning, we will be looking at place value. We will build on the children's prior knowledge and look at comparing numbers, identifying place value and ordering values to 1000. We will also be building on our work on place value to develop the children's addition and subtraction skills. We will also be carrying our maths investigations every two weeks, where the children will get to use their maths skills to solve problems and experiment with ways to use their learning.

### **Music**

This term, year 3 will take place in drumming lessons every Tuesday morning as part of our Rokeby Promise to provide opportunities and life experience.



### **PSHE**

Our focus across the half term is friendship. What makes a good friend, friendship circles and falling out. We shall also explore rules and privacy online.

### **RE**

Our new topic is all about different faiths and what they believe.

### **French**

This half term we will be beginning French by learning phonics as well as how to say and recognise simple greetings. Pupils will also be given the opportunity to use these newly learnt phrases in conversations.

### **Design & Technology**

In design and technology we will work with a range of materials and tools, with the aim to follow a full design process, going from inception, through identifying design criteria and briefs and finally producing final product to make a light turn on and off in a house.

