

Learning in Year 2 and 3: Autumn Term 2024-25

Faculty of English, literacy and communication

What will your child be learning?

During oracy sessions, pupils will explore the skills needed to communicate effectively. These fun, exciting and mostly practical lessons will allow pupils to take part in a number of explorative games, exercises and activities which will pin point and highlight what is needed to communicate effectively. In communication we will be concentrating on presenting work to others using pace, expression, projection and body language. This will also encourage pupils to be more confident when speaking to an audience.

Pupils will be developing their independent writing skills and writing information about different cultures around the world.

Pupils will be focusing on the books 'Gelert' and 'Gregory Cool' and using this text to retrieve information and compare and contrast different clutures and countries. Pupils will also be developing their phonic strategies and spelling skills.

What can you do to help at home?

Encourage your child to practise their spelling words. Children can also use Reading Eggs and Fast Phonics to help practise their spelling skills.

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Faculty of mathematics and numeracy

What will your child be learning?

Pupils will be developing their skills with addition and subtraction with increasing difficulty.

Pupils will also be developing their place value skills and working on understanding of number beyond a 100.

What can you do to help at home?

Encourage your child to practise their times tables.

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/mental-maths-train

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cuvxmjgkjU0

Faculty of science and technology

What will your child be learning?

Pupils will be learning about climate change and global warming and what it means for our planet.

What can you do to help at home?

The following links are useful to further develop your child's learning:

https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/nature/save-the-earth

https://climatekids.nasa.gov/menu/play/



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Faculty of Language and culture

What will your child be learning?

Languages:

Pupils will be extending their sentence patterns and vocabulary in Welsh. They will be focusing on 'food' and 'homes'. They will be using a range of practical tasks, matching games, ICT games and lots of speaking skills to develop their Welsh vocabulary. As part of our triple literacy approach pupils will also be developing their Spanish skills. They will be learning vocabulary around 'family' and 'homes'.

Expressive arts:

Pupils will be looking at a range of different dances from different cultures, e.g. limbo dancing. Pupils will also be researching different art styles from different cultures e.g. aboriginal dot art-pointillism. Pupils will also be listening to and evaluating different music styles from a range of countries.

What can you do to help at home?

Languages:

Encourage your child to use the Welsh they know at every opportunity, greeting people with bore da, prynhawn da, nos da, diolch, etc. Ask your child to repeat their colours and counting 1-5 in Welsh supports vocabulary retention. There are lots of songs on Youtube that we use in school that will also be of help. Use the Cyw app at home will support learning - https://cyw.cymru/en/ We would also encourage you to read in Welsh with your child, or you can use the free Welsh audio books available:

https://drefwen.com/pages/free-welsh-audio-books

Pupils can use the Linguascope website https://www.linguascope.com/ to practise key Spanish vocabulary. There are also lots of songs related to the topics on Youtube.

Expressive arts:

The following links are useful to further develop your child's learning:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iNv6XvRJQS4

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8z9zRbwh43I

Faculty of life

What will your child be learning?

Pupils will find out about the different countries and cultures around the world. Firstly, they will look closing at their own Welsh culture and what it means to be Welsh. Pupils will then learn about a variety of different cultures and how they are similar and different to ours. Pupils will explore different types of religions.

Pupils will explore and develop the skills and practices that they need to develop a healthy lifestyle and to make healthy choices in their future. They will investigate the features and physical and emotional benefits of a healthy lifestyle and explore where they can seek support. Pupils will develop a basic understanding of the rules of games, the principles of attacking and defending and will begin to discuss the ethics of sports.

What can you do to help at home?

Ask your child what they love about 'our wonderful world'. Ask them whether any parts of the world make them feel sad and what they would want to change about that. Talk about the various religious beliefs around the world and how it is important to learn to be fair to all. Ask them how they would like to change their world for the better. Talk to them about important people and your family members from the past and compare them to people today. Take them to visit places that are special to you and explain to them what makes those places important.

Help your child to develop their gross motor skills by playing games and activities with them that include throwing, catching and jumping. Watch some sports with them and talk about the rules and the roles of a coach, referee, team player and captain. Encourage them to learn the differences between wants and needs. The following websites are useful to support wellbeing at home:

https://www.youtube.com/user/cosmickidsyoga

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zj6pyrd

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ks2-physical-education/zj2n92p