



Year 3 Autumn Term Learning

Welcome to the new Autumn Term 2019. We have an exciting term planned for you and here is an outline of some of the things you will be learning and finding out about this term.

Maths:

At Threemilestone we follow an agreed sequence of learning which utilises resources from both 'White Rose' and 'Kangaroo' maths. These sequences of learning are linear in approach i.e. learning is blocked in order to develop a deeper level of understanding (mastery).

During the first term, the children will refresh and develop their understanding of place value to 1000. This will lead into addition and subtraction, using their understanding of place value to develop mental and written strategies. We will spend some time developing the children's knowledge of the 3, 4 and 8 times tables and their associated division facts. This will be taught through a combination of direct teaching of the tables, games and times table rockstars.

It is really important that at home you are supporting your child with their times tables and regular practise of these will be key to your child's development.

English:

The children will be writing for a range of contexts and styles including fiction and non-fiction. This will include writing biographies, fact files and a narrative. We will be introducing a range of punctuation (including punctuation for speech) and children will become familiar with a range of word types and be able to identify these words and their function within the context of a sentence.

It is really important to listen to your child read at home to help support their fluency and understanding. Please ensure you sign your child's reading diary on a regular basis.

Please see an additional sheet with your child's spellings for the term. Although these spellings will be learned in school, this sheet should also be used to support your child at home.

Class Reader:

The first half terms class reader will be '**The Dinoteks Secret Dinosaurs**' by N.S Blackman.

During the second half term, the class reader will be '**The Explorer**' by Katherine Rundell

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P.S.H.E

We will use 'Jigsaw' learning sessions to explore 'Being me in my World' and 'Celebrating difference'. Children will have the opportunity to discuss their thoughts about how they are growing as individuals.

R.E:

During the first half term we will explore on Hinduism and particularly focus on Diwali. In the second half term we will look at Christmas as a key event in the Christian calendar .

Science:

The skeleton in animals and humans will be the focus of science in the first half term and the life and functions of a plant will be looked at during our rainforests STAR learning.

Music:

We are delighted to have a new member of staff joining the TMS team this year. Mrs Browning will be teaching an exciting music curriculum teaching rhythm and notation.

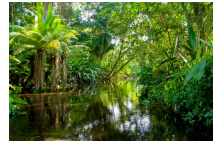
Computing:

We will be using the computers to develop an animation. This will involve programming skills and vector graphics.

STAR learning Overview:

The STAR learning in the first half term will be Dinosaurs

In the first half of the term, the children's learning will be centered around dinosaurs - finding out about these creatures, where they lived, what they ate and how we know about them. The children will be finding out about the continents where different dinosaur remains have been uncovered. They will look at the different time periods in which the dinosaurs were alive.



During the second half of the term, we will be looking at rainforests and the range of organisms that inhabit these regions. We will be taking a trip to the Eden Project to experience the sights, smells and humidity of a rainforest. The children will become familiar with the location of rainforests around the world and use geographic vocabulary to describe their location.

D.T:

We will be using pneumatics to create a moving dinosaur based on our class reading book 'Dinoteks - secret dinosaurs'.

Art:

Children will develop their skills their clay and printing skills in art this term.

P.E:

We will be developing our dance skills this term and linking them to animal movements. We will also be swimming every Friday as part of the PE curriculum so please make sure your child brings their swimming kit in named. Please ensure your child's PE kit is named and in school everyday.

Languages:

We are really lucky to have Miss Hibery to deliver the French curriculum this year. The children will be covering animals and movements, and greetings and instructions.