

English and Maths

The English and Maths overviews for Year 3 are available on our school website.

At St Christopher Primary we plan the children's learning very carefully. The learning that takes place can vary slightly from the original plan to take account of children's interests and abilities.

PE Kits

The children will be taking part in indoor and outdoor sessions throughout the year. Please ensure PE Kits are in school at all times:

INSIDE PE KIT

White t-shirt, dark blue shorts and pumps

OUTSIDE PE KIT

Long trousers, tracksuit top and trainers

Reading Books

Children will bring reading books home on a regular basis. Please support them with reading at home. For more information, please read the information on the inside of the reading diary.

Spellings

These will be sent home on a Wednesday in their log book. Please support the children with practising these words at home. It is really important these books are back in school on a Monday so they can be used in lessons. For more information about spelling, please see the inside of the log books.

Home Learning Challenges

On a Friday the children will be given a learning challenge to be completed independently out of school. The children will be able to share what they produce with their class and teacher on the following Friday afternoon.



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Year 3 Curriculum Leaflet 2016 - 2017

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Overview of Learning in Year 3 2016 - 2017

This year in **History** the pupils will be learning:

- About changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.
- About the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain (in relation to Pompeii).
- To conduct a local history study.
- To choose the most important source material for a task.
- To study an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' knowledge beyond 1066.
- About Ancient Greece – a study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world.

This year in **Geography** the pupils will be learning:

- To describe and understand key aspects of human geography including types of settlement and land use.
- To use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate.
- To describe and understand key aspects of physical geography including: volcanoes and earthquakes.
- To understand geographical similarities and differences by comparing Coventry and Berlin.
- To understand key aspects of human geography including the distribution of food.

This year in **Art** the pupils will be learning:

- To improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture.
- To use sketch books to record their observations and review ideas.
- To find out about great artists, architects and designers in history.

This year in **Design and Technology** the pupils will be learning:

- To select from and use a wider range of materials and components.
- To apply their understanding of how to strengthen, stiffen and reinforce more complex structures.
- To investigate and analyse existing products.
- To prepare and cook a variety of dishes using a range of cooking techniques.
- To research, develop design criteria and evaluate their ideas and products.

This year in **Music** the pupils will be learning:

- To use musical words such as pitch, tempo and dynamics to describe music.
- To begin to play basic chords on the ukulele.
- To create and repeat rhythmic patterns.
- To explore and play different styles of music.
- To perform songs in groups and solo.
- To read and create informal music notation.
- To play a melody.

This year in **Science** the pupils will be learning:

- To investigate properties of rocks and soils.
- About healthy eating and our bodies.
- To find out about sources of light and materials that are reflective, translucent, transparent and opaque.
- To investigate shadows and think about how they are formed.
- To find out the different parts of plants and their functions.
- To observe the forces that magnets produce.
- To name some materials that magnets can attract and some they cannot.

This year in **Computing** the pupils will be learning:

- To create a video with audio commentary.
- To use paint programs to make their own character.
- To use Scratch to program that character to create an animation.
- To log on and use an email system.
- To use emails to communicate.

This year in **Faith and Belief (RE)**: the pupils will be learning:

Over this year the children will be learning about different faiths and beliefs, along with the importance of respecting and appreciating similarities and differences in the world around us. The children will learn about traditions and celebrations both through class activities and assemblies.

This year in **PE and Sport** the pupils will be learning:

- Invasion games (field hockey)
- Movement skills (dodgeball)
- Gymnastics
- Ball skills
- Rounders
- Athletics/Olympic Hour

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