





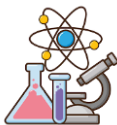



Holy Cross Catholic Primary School

CURRICULUM INFORMATION

YEAR 3 Spring Term 2



Subject	What are we learning?	How can you help at home?
English 	<p>In English we will be learning through two new stories, 'Libba' and 'Native America Stories'. These texts link well with the topic in Geography. We will learn to extend our sentence with more than one clause, using a wide range of conjunctions. We will continue to think of interesting sentences using a precise range of vocabulary. We will finally create a persuasive advert.</p>	<p>We would still love you to hear your child read as often as possible and they will bring home a school book. We will also be encouraging reading for pleasure in school through regular visits to our school library.</p> <p>Your child will receive weekly spellings, please support them with these words from the Year 3/4 statutory spelling list.</p>
Maths 	<p>In Maths this term we will be looking at fractions, children will learn about how fractions can be seen as part of a whole and that to find a unit fraction, they divide the whole into equal parts. They then identify the role of the denominator, appreciating that this shows how many equal parts the whole has been divided into. After this we will look at Mass and Capacity and how to measure accurately.</p>	<p>Please encourage your children to use the TT Rockstars games to increase the speed of their times tables.</p>
RE 	<p>We will begin with Lent. The children will further explore Lent as a time when we prepare for Easter. It enables pupils to look at how this preparation involves change. We will consider how Jesus changed the people he met and deepened his relationship with the Father through prayer.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to discuss their learning about Lent. Do they know why we celebrate Lent? Have they given anything up for Lent?</p>
Topic 	<p>In Geography we are learning all about North America. We will look at how to locate it on the map. Then we will discuss the physical features and trade zones, and how these compare to Europe.</p>	<p>Use the library or the internet to further investigate life in North America.</p>
Science 	<p>This term our topic in Science is Forces and Magnets. The children will be taught about magnets, magnetic materials and how to identify them. We will look at different forces and the effects they have on a variety of objects.</p>	<p>There are online lessons to further support your child's learning on the Oak Academy website found here: https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/magnetism-084a</p>
Art & DT 	<p>The children will be learning to build electrical circuits in DT. We will look at the components needed to build a successful circuit and then move on to design our own. The children will be given a design brief to work to and will creatively build their own electrical monsters.</p>	<p>If you and your child would like to create circuits at home we would love to see them!</p>

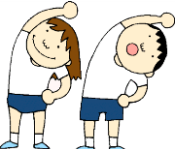






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PE 	<p>Children should come into school wearing their P.E kits. They will be starting with Team building and then invasion games.</p> <p>Our PE days are TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY</p>	<p>Please make sure your child has full PE kit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black leggings or tracksuit bottoms • Trainers • Plain sweatshirt of any colour • Long hair must be tied up • For safety reasons, one small stud earring per ear <p>Go Noodle and BBC Super Movers are great websites to get moving indoors!</p>
PSHE 	<p>Created to Love Others explores the individual's relationship with others. Building on the understanding that we have been created out of love and for love, this module explores how we take this calling into our family, friendships and relationships, and teaches strategies for developing healthy relationships and keeping safe. We are also looking at internet safety.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to talk about the rules of being safe online.</p>
Music 	<p>The children will be learning through the 'Dragon Song'. They will learn to improvise, compose and play an instrumental part. We will take inspiration from different music but refer back to the 'Dragon Song'.</p>	<p>We would love it if you could share music with your child at home. If they learn a song or an instrument and would like to share it with us, that would be wonderful!</p>
French 	<p>This 'Family & Friends' unit will teach the children how to identify and introduce family and pets and spell their names. They will also learn the names for places in their own home.</p>	<p>Ask your child to share the new vocabulary they have learned with you.</p>
Homework 	<p>For Homework this term, we are prioritising the key skills children need to underpin their learning: Reading, Spelling and Times Tables.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please ensure your child reads their reading book several times per week, and this needs to be recorded in their reading record. Children need to bring their reading book and reading record into school every day • Spellings should be practised regularly and will be tested weekly • Practise times tables and the related division facts daily using Times Tables Rockstars – your child should have brought home a log in for this. 	