

Year 3 - Summer Half Term 1 Parents' /Carers' Leaflet

Mathematics

Fractions: We will be splitting shapes objects and numbers into fractions including halves, thirds and quarters as well as adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominators. We will finish fractions by exploring equivalent fractions.

Money: We will learn to count money (up to £10), make amounts of money in different ways then we will add and subtract different amounts of money.

PE

Cricket
Rounders

French

We will focus on transport this half term and the French words for types of transport such as trains, cars, buses etc.

PSHE

Careers, financial capability and economic wellbeing:

We will learn how to decide if something is 'value for money' and how to recognise when someone is pressurising us to spend our money. We will also discuss careers and the different jobs people do.

Science

Our topic will be 'Light'

We will learn:

- About sources of light including the sun and electricity.
- About how shadows are formed
- About how light can reflect off different surfaces

English

**The book we will focus on will be
The Secret Garden
Our Class Text will be - The Sheep-Pig**

We will use The Secret Garden as our inspiration to write a setting description. We will contrast the Secret Garden in winter and then in summer when Mary has tended to it and brought it back to life again.

We will then use the same book as inspiration for a persuasive letter.

Our History topic this term: Henry VIII and the Monasteries

- 1) **What does the evidence tell us about life in Fountains Abbey?**
- 2) **What happened to monasteries such as Fountains Abbey, Kirkstall Abbey & Bolton Abbey?**

As part of this topic we will visit Fountains Abbey, which is a World Heritage site, and discover what we can learn about what life was like on the site. We will also learn about Henry VIII and the creation of the Church of England.

Geography

We will learn about Western Europe - including:

- Countries in Western Europe
- Climate in Western Europe
- Trade in Western Europe
- An in-depth focus on France and its capital city Paris.

Art

We will learn to use pencil to shade, to show tones and textures.

We will look at the portraits of different artists and then draw Henry VIII using shading for effect.

Computing

Branching databases:

- We will sort objects just using an algorithm of 'yes' and 'no' questions.
- We will use '2Question' to create and complete a branching database.
- We will choose our own category to create a branching database.