



THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL
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Year 3

Half Termly

Overview

Spring 1



Maths

In Maths this half term, Class 3 will be looking at handling data. Pupils will be interpreting different charts and tables, as well as collecting their own data to produce their own bar charts. In addition to this, Class 3 will also continue to look at written methods for all four operations (addition, subtraction, division and multiplication). If you are unsure of the methods taught at Cathedral school don't forget that the Calculation policy is available via the school website.

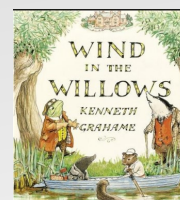
Supporting Maths at Home:

During the last academic year your child should have learnt the 2x, 5x and 10x tables. Although we will be recapping in class it is now expected that every child is confident with these times tables. In Class 3, we will be looking at the 3x, 4x, 6x and 8x tables. Children will also need to know the inverse division facts. Weekly times table homework will be set, this should help to prepare your child for our weekly times table test on a Friday. Please support your child at home by testing them on the times tables they are learning, as well as ones they have already learnt. They can be tested anywhere and at anytime; whilst waiting for transport, in the supermarket or at home. You do not have to set aside long periods of time to test them, fit it into your schedule so that it works for you and your child!



English

Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame



Linking with our Geography topic on rivers, Class 3 will be learning through the classic novel *Wind in the Willows*. This half term, Class 3 will focus on writing newspaper articles, character descriptions and poems.

Some useful strategies in supporting your child's reading development.

1. **Read the title and ask your child to make a prediction.** Beginning and seasoned readers alike need to make predictions before reading a story. This will go a long way to ensure that a child incorporates previewing and prediction in his or her own reading practices both now and in the future.
2. **Model fluency while reading, and bring your own energy and excitement for reading to your child.** Both new and seasoned readers struggle with varying pitch, intonation and proper fluctuations when they read aloud. Older readers will benefit from shared reading (taking turns).
3. **Ask your child questions after reading every book.** Reading comprehension is the reason we read -- to understand.
4. **Ask them to write a summary of the book they have read when they have finished it.** Summarising is a difficult skill to grasp. Often children just rewrite the story when asked to summarise but picking out the important points of a story shows a deeper understanding.

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R.E. Worship and Liturgy

Class 3 will be develop and awareness of what liturgy is and how it is used in Christian worship.

Furthermore, Class 3 will also be preparing for their first Cathedral service this half term.



Science Rocks

In Science, Class 3 will develop an awareness of the properties of rocks. Pupils will be comparing and grouping together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. They will also gain an understanding of fossils and how they are formed.



Geography Rivers

Class 3 will work on describing key aspects and physical characteristics of rivers and the water cycle. Pupils will learn how rivers are formed. As a class, we will also be walking along the Thames, viewing characteristics of the Thames and looking at how it is shown on various different types of maps.



Computing We are Communicators

During Computing, Class 3 will be learning all about emailing and how to communicate safely using the internet.

This will include the children discussing and learning vocabulary such as spam, virus and attachment.



Art/DT Sculpture

In Art, pupils will develop their sculpting skills by creating a river model. As a group, they will design their river and consider what might be seen along the riverbank. A variety of materials and techniques will be used.



P.E. Tennis

For this half term, Class 3 will be developing their hand-eye coordination skills. The children will work on this skill independently and in pairs, as well as through fun, team games.

During indoor P.E., Class 3 will be focusing on gymnastics.



Spanish

In Spanish, Class 3 will be learning classroom commands and animals. During Spanish lessons, Class 3 are asked to read, write and speak the new vocabulary they learn through a variety of games and written tasks.

Homework

Homework will be given out on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Homework in Class 3 is designed to consolidate and enhance learning that takes place in school.

Homework in Year 3 should take between 20 s 30 minutes per night.