

English – the art of story writing. Getting those imaginative juices flowing by taking inspiration from films like Jumanji. We will be developing our planning of stories as well as writing for atmosphere and suspense.

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During the summer term, Year 3 will be focussing primarily on the local environment. We have lots of exciting ideas planned, across the curriculum. Here is a taster, of what to expect, between now and July.

Maths – place value, angles, data handling as well as continued practise of the four main operations, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be continuing practical investigations into all areas of maths.

Science – Light and shadow. With the sunshine hoped and prayed for, we will be looking at light sources, experimenting with shadows and linking in with geography to talk about why we have shorter days and colder weather compared with countries further south. Linking with **PSHCE**, we will also be talking about how to keep our bodies healthy. The mental health of children is very much in the news at the moment, so we will learn that a healthy mind is all part of a healthy body.

PE – with the warmer weather and sports day on the way, athletics is going to be on our PE timetable. Sports Day has a more competitive edge to it in KS2 than what the children have been used to in KS1 so we will be racing, throwing, jumping our way round the field. The team games we will focus on will be cricket and rounders.

History and Geography – are very much hand in hand this term. Team 3 have a very exciting project to do. With the world's huge overuse of plastics making almost daily headlines, we are going to focus closer to home and look at British Rivers; their sources, their uses, their flora and fauna. We will be going out and about in our local area, litter picking and looking at the stream. Pooh Sticks and boat racing will be the name of the game! We also have an exciting art project to do linked with recycling.

Music – Our excellent violin teacher will be back every Wednesday afternoon to build on the last 2 term's hard work.

Art – More detailed information on this will follow at a later date but we are planning to create a huge work of art using rubbish from around the school. We will be inviting you in to see it. Watch this space!

RE – how different religions around the world are practised at home and in special buildings.

D&T – make a boat out of recyclable materials to sail. Will they sink or float?

ICT – Theme - What is the internet?

Homework – will continue to be sent out as it has been. The first is an investigation into rivers of the world. We will, later on, be asking for designs of boats that we will be sailing down the stream. We might fit in a game of Pooh Sticks!

We very much appreciate your support with the children and contributions to the class. Any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact us via email, Class Dojo or in person. Here's to a productive and happy Summer Term.

Best wishes, Team 3

The children will also be learning how to make stop motion films.