

**ENGLISH**

The children love reading a text together every day and improving their comprehension skills. This term's class texts are as follows:

- Y3 Sri Lanka: Varjak Paw and Krindlekrax
- Y3/4 Malta: Diary of a Killer Cat and George's marvellous Medicine
- Y4 Canada: Fortunately, The Milk and The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.

Over the term, we will use our class texts as a stimulus for writing stories, recounts and persuasive texts. With spelling, we will continue to focus on rules and patterns, and we will help the children improve their writing and editing skills.

**FRENCH**

The children will be learning vocabulary for the days of the week and the months of the year, as well as revising numbers from 1-31. The aim of the unit of work is to be able to say the date and when their birthday is in French.

**DT**

The children will learn about mechanisms to create moving parts. Afterwards, they will design and make their own moving monster inspired by Greek myths.

**PE**

The children will be developing their ability to perform different footwork with control. They will learn about the importance of physical fitness and why we warm up and cool down. In gymnastics, they will create sequences of movement to include changes in direction, level, and speed with flow. Pupils in Y4 Canada Class will be developing their swimming technique this term.

**Ancient Greece****HISTORY**

This term's topic has a history focus. The children will be using a timeline to plot key dates and events within the Ancient Greek period. They will study the Golden Age of Greece and Athenian democracy, Ancient Greek religion and beliefs, and find out about the Ancient Greek philosophers. In addition, the children will look at Peloponnesian Wars the role of Alexander the Great. There will be some study of the geography of Europe and of the Ancient Greek city states too.

**MATHS**

Within Maths, Year 3 will be focusing on place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division. Year 4 will focus on place value, addition and subtraction, length and perimeter and multiplication and division. The children will also have frequent opportunities to develop their fluency in maths and their mental maths skills, applying them purposefully.

**PSHE**

This term the children will be learning how to maintain their physical health and mental wellbeing. In addition to healthy eating and exercise, we will also be focusing on growing and changing, along with keeping safe.

**MUSIC**

We will be listening to sounds and recognising the instruments that make them. We will also be learning to use our voices to create beatbox sounds, sing in four-part songs and perform in a round. Y3/4 Malta Class will be learning how to play a brass instrument.

**SCIENCE**

Our topics this term are light and states of matter. The children will learn how we see things, how shadows are formed and how to keep themselves safe in the sun. Later, they will learn to recognise solids, liquids and gases and observe how they change when heated or cooled.

They will also learn the key processes in the water cycle.

**RE**

The children will be learning about El Salvador Crosses and visual storytelling, with a focus on the story of Noah's Ark. They will also learn about the meaning and symbolism of the cross to Christians. Later, the children will be learning about how Christmas is celebrated by Christians around the world.

**COMPUTING**

The children will continue to build on their knowledge of how to protect themselves online. They will look at identity theft, digital footprints and how to act appropriately when taking part in online projects. In computer science, the children will begin to understand selection in computer programming and how IF, ELSE and REPEAT commands work.

**ART**

The children will be using a variety of art media to create patterns and textures. They will be looking closely at eggshells, feathers and scales and choosing the most appropriate art materials to re-create them. They will also develop their tracing and drawing skills.

