

# Love Learning, Love Life Always Aiming High

Hello and welcome to Year 3!

We hope you have had a lovely summer break and are well rested, ready to work hard in your first year in KS2! I am your Year 3 teacher this year, Mrs Harland, and we are also extremely lucky to have Miss Gibson working with us every morning.

You will be very excited to learn that our first topic is called 'Water, water everywhere', and we will be learning all about the waters around the UK, as well as the water cycle. We have lots of exciting activities planned for this term!

We will have PE on Monday and Friday afternoons, so you must have a full PE kit ready for these days. However, it would be a great idea to have your PE kit in school all week, in case any extra exciting activities happen! Make sure you also bring a water bottle into school daily and remember to take it home with you at the end of the day.

In Year 3 you will be given Learning Log and Handwriting homework on a Friday, this needs to be handed back in on a Wednesday. If your homework arrives on Thursday or Friday, we may not have chance to look at your amazing work and mark it before new homework goes out! Maths homework will also be given out every Friday and needs to be handed in the following Wednesday. Spellings will be sent home at the start of the term, for the weeks leading up to Half Term. We won't be formally testing spellings every Friday, but instead will expect the children to use those words in their work each week.

Now you are in KS2 we encourage you to choose and change your own reading book. We would like you to think carefully about the books you are choosing and try to read lots of different types of books, such as: non-fiction, fiction, poetry and plays. We love it when you read as much as you can at home and expect you to read at least 3 times a week. We will keep a daily record of who has been reading at home. It would be great to hear about any books you have really enjoyed- why not share them with the class by writing a book review in our class library?

We are really excited to work with you this year and can't wait to see your wonderful work!

Mrs Harland and Miss Gibson



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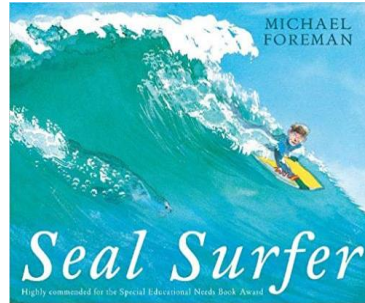
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## Water, water everywhere!

Our first topic will be all about water! We will learn about the water cycle, the coasts of the UK, and a boy who loves to surf.

In **Computing** we will be looking at the importance of staying safe online, where we will discuss and advise each other of the dangers and what can be done to keep us safe. We will then start an exciting unit of work on coding.

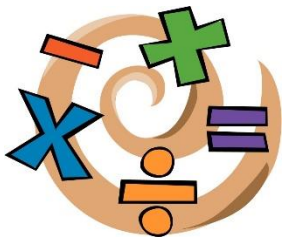


In **English** we will be riding the waves with 'Seal Surfer' and shivering with 'Winter's Child' through our class texts. This term we will be focusing on fascinating vocabulary, ambitious connectives, dramatic openers and using a variety of interesting punctuation. We will be writing in the forms of narrative and letters, reading and performing winter poems, and learning to use dictionaries. Through our thematic approach to learning there will be lots of exciting speaking and listening opportunities from role play to debates.



In **Maths** we will be building on our amazing skills already learnt in KS1 by learning:

- Place value of numbers to 1000.
- Comparing and ordering numbers up to 1000.
- Finding, 1, 10 and 100 more/less than a given number.
- Addition and subtraction of numbers to 1000.
- Multiplication and division of numbers to 1000.
- Counting in steps of: 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 50, 100. (Times tables)



Our **History** and **Geography** this term will be taught through a creative topic approach, where we will find out more about the UK, and about water! We will be learning about the various seas and coastal regions of the UK, as well as learning about the water cycle. We will find out more about colder areas of the world as well, through our learning about the Arctic Circle, and will build up our map skills.

In **French** we will be learning to greet each other, to count numbers from 1 to 10 and will begin to name some colours. Towards Christmas, we will start to learn the days of the week and the months of the year.



In **P.E.** we will be covering Games and Gymnastics this term. We are also looking forward to developing our competitive sportsmanship through competitions.

In **Music** we will be learning and performing the song Three Little Birds by Bob Marley, as well as creating different compositions using musical instruments.



In **R.E** we will be learning about Hinduism. We will be finding out all about how Hindus view God, and about how Diwali is celebrated. Closer to Christmas, we will be learning about Humanism, and exploring these different world views.



In **Science** we will learn about animals and humans, and our topic focuses on our skeletons, muscles, and the nutrition that we need to be healthy. Then, we will begin to find out about rocks. We will be comparing and grouping different types of rocks according to their properties. We will also be looking at the formation of fossils and soil.

In **Art** we will learn woodblock printing, painting and colouring mixing, and will find out about the artist Hokusai's painting 'The Great Wave off Kanagawa'. In **D.T.** we will be creating snow scene dioramas.