

English

In English, we will be learning about discussion texts, with a particular focus on how to provide a balanced argument. We will explore how to present different points of view clearly and will apply this understanding by writing our own discussion text. Throughout the unit, we will also focus on using a range of conjunctions to link ideas.

We will also complete a unit based on the novel *The Iron Man*. In this unit, the grammar focuses include using adverbs, writing direct speech using accurate speech marks, and exploring, identifying, and creating complex sentences using a range of conjunctions (e.g. since, until, before, as), including correctly using commas for clarity.

Maths

In maths, we will begin with a unit on fractions. Children will develop their understanding of unit and non-unit fractions, compare and order fractions, explore fractions in relation to the whole, and work with fractions on number lines. They will also learn to count in fractions, recognise equivalent fractions, and represent fractions using bar models and scales.

We will then move on to a unit on mass and capacity. This will include using scales accurately, measuring mass in grams and kilograms, comparing different masses, and adding and subtracting mass. Children will also measure capacity and volume in millilitres and litres, explore equivalent capacities, compare measurements, and practise adding and subtracting capacity and volume.

Science

In science, we will conclude our unit on nutrition before moving on to forces and magnets. This unit will include investigating how objects move on different surfaces, explaining why certain surfaces are more suitable for particular jobs, naming and identifying different types of magnets, and understanding magnetic force. Children will also learn about the discovery of magnetism and will test which magnets are the strongest.

RE

In RE, we will learn about the Easter story, exploring the emotions experienced throughout Holy Week, both at the time and in modern Christian practice. We will discover how church services during Holy Week reflect feelings of sadness and joy, and we will deepen our understanding of the concept of salvation.



Year 3 Spring 2

Charity – Comic Relief

Christian Value – Forgiveness

Special event – World Book Day 5th March

Enrichment – British Science Week

Online Safety Strand – Self Image and Identity,
Online Bullying

Community links – Lancashire Sing

British values – Individual Liberty

History

In History, we will be learning about Boudicca and her role in resisting the Roman invasion of Britain. We will explore who Boudicca was, why she chose to lead a revolt against the Romans, and the key battles that took place during her uprising. We will also examine how the Romans responded after the revolt and consider the short- and long-term consequences of Boudicca's resistance for her people and for Britain as a whole.

Design Technology

In DT, we will be designing and making our own cushions. Throughout this unit, pupils will learn how to use cross-stitch and appliqué to add decoration, detail and structure to their textile work. They will practise using cross-stitch to join two pieces of fabric together, and they will design and cut a template for their cushion. Pupils will then use both cross-stitch and appliqué to decorate the cushion face before assembling and finishing a completed cushion that showcases the skills they have learned.

Computing

In Computing, we will be learning about databases, with a focus on branching databases. Pupils will explore how yes/no questions and attributes can be used to sort and organise information. They will create both physical and on-screen branching databases and use these to build an identification tool, which they will test. Pupils will also think about how branching databases are used in real-world situations.

Music

Our music unit this half-term is Traditional Instruments and Improvisation. Pupils will explore their responses to music, learn to read simple musical notation, and play the notes of a rag with accuracy. They will improvise alongside a drone and tal, sing confidently from notation and lyrics, and perform in time with others while being aware of different musical parts.

PE

In our PE lessons this half-term we will be learning and playing the sport of Boccia. In addition to this, we will be completing a net and wall unit. focusing on throwing, catching and striking.

PSHE

Our PSHE unit for this half term is Rights and Respect. We will be learning about how to stay safe, look after the environment, and recognise the role of helpful volunteers in our community. Pupils will also explore how people earn money and why managing money responsibly is important.

French

Our French unit this half term is In a French Classroom. Pupils will learn key classroom vocabulary, practise accurate pronunciation, and begin to recognise masculine and feminine nouns. They will use modelled language to create simple questions and sentences, use language-detective skills to work out new words, and practise speaking clearly with appropriate intonation.

Friendship

Faith

Respect

Determination

Love

Service

Thankfulness

Honesty

Forgiveness