



ST EDMUND'S SCHOOL CANTERBURY

Curriculum Newsletter

Form 3

Forthcoming Events

28th September	Whole School Open Day
1st Oct	Harvest Festival (Chapel)
3rd October	KIC Theatre workshops
October 4th	Whole School Non Uniform
30th Sept 4th Oct	Parent Consultation Week
November 14th	St. Edmund's Day service
November 15th	Michaelmas Concert
6th December	LS Christmas play (pm)

Trips

25th September
LS trip to East Kent
Ploughing Match

Welcome to Form 3!

Welcome to St Edmunds Junior School! What a wonderful few days we have had so far. We have an exciting and busy term ahead. In Form 3 we try and make as many curriculum links as possible to the current topic. Our main topics this term will be Trolls, Autumn and Christmas around The World. If you ever have any questions please don't hesitate to ask!

Michaelmas Term 2019



English

In English this term we will concentrate on simple sentence structure and punctuation, learning how to answer and pose questions with full sentences. In our creative writing sessions we will write a range of descriptive poems, recounts, instructions and stories. Your child will already have a reading book and daily reading at home is encouraged. Our library day is Thursday and pupils will have the opportunity to borrow 2 books each week. Spellings will be given on a Monday and tested each Friday.



Mathematics

One of the first activities this term will be to accurately measure our Trolls using cm and mm! This is followed by revisiting number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 and learning a variety of mental strategies to add, subtract, double and halve numbers up to 100. We will tell the time using analogue and digital clocks and will revise the names of 2D and 3D shapes and learn their properties. The children will have regular opportunities for creative problem solving and investigative work.



Computing

We welcome Form 3 to Computing and ICT by first building confidence in an ICT classroom environment, encouraging independence with logging into the computer and opening software applications, as well as ensuring correct posture whilst using the machines. For Computer Science, Form 3 will plan and program an animation using a blocks-based application. In ICT lessons, Form 3 will further develop their digital skills and creativity



Science

In this unit children will develop their understanding of their personal health and how this is related to human nutrition, dentition and digestion.

They will describe, sequence and investigate the simple functions and the basic parts of the digestive system in humans and they will identify and name the different types of teeth in humans and some other animals, and their simple functions. Children will understand how their teeth could decay and how they could keep teeth healthy.



Be all you can be

Art, Design & Technology



In Art this term we will use a range of media to create a variety of 2d and 3d pieces linked to our topic work. We will practise drawing, painting, folding, cutting, sticking and sewing. Nearer the end of term we will use a variety of materials and techniques to create simple gifts for Christmas.

French



“Bienvenue “ to Lower School ! Through games, songs and stories, this term the children will learn how to greet someone , introduce themselves in French, how to say the date and how to say when their birthday is. They will also learn more about French landmarks. Every week they will also learn more words taking Carambar with them on adventures!

Music



This term the children will build on their ability to create and perform rhythmic patterns, using notation as a support. We will use class percussion instruments and keyboards to demonstrate our ideas and constructively listen to and evaluate others' work as well as our own. The children will then develop their ability to recognise and use musical scales, creating short melodies and accompaniments both as a class and in

PE and Games

During PE this term we will start with a series of fun fitness tests to establish a general level of overall fitness and an understanding of the concepts of health , fitness and wellbeing. We will then be moving onto a carousel of varying sports which may include golf, badminton, games for understanding, basketball, handball lacrosse, fitness and touch rugby.

Topic



Our Topics this term will include Trolls, autumn and Christmas around the world. The Trolls topic will be mainly literacy and art based although we will also find out about the mythology behind where trolls lived. During our work on autumn we will learn about different seasons and how the weather compares. In the final topic we will learn about how people in different countries celebrate Christmas, locate these countries on a world map and identify different climates around the world. We will also have series of special activities such as creating the sugarcraft centrepiece for the chapel, apple crumble making (using apples harvested from our Junior School garden), designing recipes for and making pumpkin soup and building and decorating gingerbread houses.

Drama



Bear hunts, adventures in the forest, crazy machines, busy market places and travels around the world..

We will explore all of these through a range of basic drama techniques. Children will work on imaginative and improvisation techniques, physical theatre, perform simple scripts and develop our ability to create believable characters when performing. This work will challenge and extend life skills such as teamwork, communication skills and confidence.

More than a School

Religious Studies

In RS this term, we will learn about harvest and prepare for our Junior School Harvest Service. We will learn about different ideas of God from Christians, Hindus and Muslims. After half term we find out about the significance of the poppy at Remembrance, St Martin, St Nicholas and St Lucia.



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