

## YEAR 3 ~ AUTUMN 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF TERM -2020/21

Key Concept Words  
***Achievement, Change, Conflict***

### ***Come and See***

Children will explore the topic of 'Homes' and think about why their homes are so special to them. Children will also learn about how God wants everyone to live as part of a loving Christian Family and focus on St Paul's letters which give advice about how to achieve this.



Children will also look at the topic of 'Promises' and consider why keeping a promise is so important. We will think about the promises that Christians make during their lives, in particular, the ones we make during the Sacrament of Baptism. Children will also focus on the symbols and special things used during Baptism and explore their meanings.



### ***English***

Children will read a range of texts from a 'familiar setting' and produce various pieces of writing. Texts we will focus 'The "Hodgehog"' by Dick King Smith. We will study characters' personalities and discuss why they act in different ways. We will also write instructions for Max the hedgehog to cross the road using imperative verbs, time connectives and a variety of adverbs. Furthermore, we will study the features of non-chronological reports such as layout (headings and sub-headings) and language (factual, present tense, third person). This will be the first time this year we look at co-ordinating and sub-ordinating conjunctions.



We will look at shape poems and discuss the different strategies poets use to make them effective. We will write our own shape poems and perform them to the rest of the class. As well as consolidating our knowledge of basic features of punctuation such as full stops and capital letters, we will keep working on how to use apostrophes accurately and continue to develop our use of commas. We will recap Year 1 and 2 spelling words.



## Mathematics

Children will continue to work through the 'Singapore Maths' Curriculum. They will consolidate their knowledge of place value and work with numbers up to 1000. We will also work on addition and subtraction and think about the different methods we can use to solve questions in a range of contexts. Children will also continue to use formal methods of addition and subtraction, including the column methods. We will develop our ability to solve problems and work on using our mathematical reasoning skills to tackle different questions. It will also be important for children to try hard to become more independent learners. Finally, children will consolidate their knowledge of the times tables they already know and begin to learn how to count in fours and eights..

## Computing

Children will use code.org to program instructions for Angry Birds. This will be a cross curricular link with our English topic of giving instructions. We will also be looking at e-safety, using search engines and the importance of having a strong password.



## Science

Children will focus on investigating the question, 'Am I attractive enough?' This will involve finding out about how magnets work and which materials are magnetic and non-magnetic. Children will also learn about the different forces that can act upon objects, particularly focusing on friction and how it affects the movement of objects on a range of surfaces. We will also develop our ability to carry out fair investigations and perform a range of practical tests.

## Geography

Children will learn about some different countries in the Mediterranean and why it is such a popular tourist destination. We will think about the climate in the Mediterranean, the food people eat and how it is different to our country. We will learn about some famous tourist sites in various countries and develop our atlas skills. We will search for countries on a map and understand where they are located in relation to where we live. Finally, we will learn about the different continents and label maps accordingly.



### *Creative Arts*

Children will study some different Mediterranean artists and produce pieces of artwork in the style of some of these artists. Children will also listen to music from different Mediterranean musicians and recreate what they have heard using different instruments and perform their ideas to the class.



### *PSHE*

In Year 3 we will learn about how to stay safe online. We will learn about staying safe when we are crossing the road and when we are on busy car parks.



### *P.E*

Children will partake in netball lessons, developing their throwing and catching skills, as well as improving their movement during team games. We will also be practising our gymnastics by learning body shapes, doing different body rolls, jumps and balances.

