Curriculum Overview - Year 3 - Autumn 2 2026

English **Text:** This half term, the children will be reading the book, 'Anisha the Accidental Detective' in their Destination Reader and writing lessons. **Writing:** In writing this half term, the children will continue to write a variety of different genres, including short stories and formal letters. The children will build on the grammar knowledge they have already developed, including using co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions. They will also begin to explore using speech punctuation in their writing. **Reading:** This half term, the children will be focusing on the reading skills of summarising and predicting.	**Maths** Addition and Subtraction – The children will add and subtract three digit numbers with and without exchanging. They will use pictorial and number representations for this. Measurement – The children will measure perimeter in different units including mm, cm, m and km. Multiplication and Division – The children will multiply and divide by 3, 4 and 8s. Fractions- The children will learn to identify unit and non-unit fractions. Shapes- The children will recap 2D shapes. They will then make and describe 3D shapes by looking at their properties. Also, they will look at horizontal, vertical, parallel and perpendicular lines.	**Science** This half term in science, the children will be learning all about rocks. The children will identify how rocks are formed. They will also compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. This will help them categorise rocks into the 3 main types. In addition to this, the children will apply scientific enquiry skills such as conducting different investigations in relation to rocks. **Key vocabulary:** Mineral, fossils, igneous, sedimentary, metamorphic, soil, fossilisation
Religious Education - Where do our morals come from? Children will think about how people decide what it means to live a good life, they will reflect on their own opinions about what is right and wrong. **Key vocabulary:** Buddha, covenant, guidance, moral, reasoning, Ten commandments	**History** Children will identify different Ages, (Stone, Bronze and Iron) by exploring artefacts and settlements. They will then progress into the Iron Age developments that changed the ways of life e.g. the plough and sharper tools and weapons. They will apply key History enquiry skills such as researching, analysing, comparing, contrasting and chronology. **Key vocabulary:** settlements, nomads, Skara Brae, Stonehenge, Neolithic, hunters and gatherers	**Design Technology** Pneumatic toys- Children will design and create a toy with a pneumatic system, learning how trapped air can be used to create a product with moving parts. Pupils are introduced to thumbnail sketches and exploded diagrams. [Moving Monsters] **Key vocabulary:** mechanism, lever, pivot, linkage system, pneumatic system, input, output, component, thumbnail sketch, research, adapt, properties, reinforce, motion
Computing This half term, the children will be learning all about coding. They will be using the program 2Code on Purple Mash throughout this unit of learning.	**PSHE** This half term, the children will learn about keeping and staying healthy, medicine and enterprise.	**PE** This half term, the children will be focusing on dance in their indoor PE lessons. They will explore a range of techniques including creating shapes with their bodies.
Music The children's learning this half term will focus around 'in the past' and 'communication.'	**Modern Foreign Languages:** The children will continue to learn greeting and introducing themselves followed by learning the days of the week, months and how to say when their birthday; written and spoken.	**Please remember…** PE is on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 3 Sycamore. PE is on Tuesdays and Fridays for 3 Beech. Home Learning is given out on Thursday and is due back in on Tuesdays. Home reading book is to be read and signed every day in the yellow reading records.