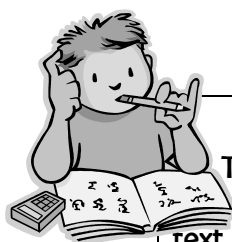




# WOODVALE PRIMARY ACADEMY

## Curriculum Newsletter – Year 3

### Spring Term 1 2020



#### English

This term in English (both reading and writing) we will be studying the text Jack and the Beanstalk. We will learn the text by heart, change it and eventually write our own story about defeating a monster. We will be learning many grammatical skills including the use of possessive apostrophes and variation of sentence length for effect. In reading, we will look at the meanings of new words, retrieve information from what we have read, make inferences and predictions.

#### Computing

We will continue to practise and improve our word processing skills, gathering information from the internet, and inserting it into a document, changing the size and adding images.

#### Religious Education

In R.E. we will consider why Christians believe that Jesus is an inspirational person. We will represent our thoughts in a variety of ways including writing and art.

#### PSHE

This term, we will be thinking about relationships. We begin by thinking about emotions and how these can affect both ourselves and others in a relationship. We then consider who is important to us and what we think makes them important.

#### Physical Education

On Tuesdays, we will be doing outside PE (weather permitting) with the P.E. coaches. Woodpigeons will be doing dance on a Friday afternoon. Woodpeckers will be swimming on a Thursday afternoon (this will swap after the next holiday).

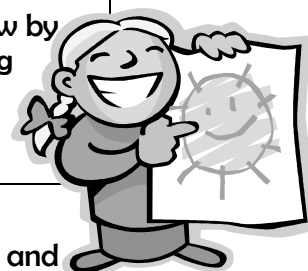


#### Maths

In our maths lessons we will continue to follow the Power Maths scheme and Year 3 objectives from the National Curriculum. We will continue to practise our skills using multiplication and division, focussing on our 3, 4 and 8 times tables which we need to know by heart. We then move on to working with money, converting between pounds and pence and solving problems involving money.

#### Topic

Our theme this term is called 'Gods and Mortals'. This follows on from our previous topic where we learned about the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages and Ancient Egypt by looking at Ancient Greece. We begin by meeting Zeus, 'the father of the Gods' and some other gods that were important in Ancient Greece. We will then look at life in Greece, famous Greeks and events that occurred (such as the siege of Troy) and consider how these have affected our lives almost 3000 years in the future. We will investigate some Greek myths, including Daedalus and Icarus, Theseus and the Minotaur and Pandora's Box. We will represent our work in a variety of ways including word processed documents, written work, art, design technology and drama/role play. We finish the topic by choosing what we would be a god of, our powers, costumes and accessories.



#### Homework

- Daily reading – please complete reading records daily.
- Weekly spellings.
- TT Rockstars – make sure to learn the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.
- Encourage your child to tell you the story of 'jack and the Beanstalk' including all the actions!
- Weekly maths and English activities.

