



Year 3

# WASHINGTON'S



## Useful Information

Spring 2

### Geography: Antarctica



This half term we have a Geography focus. We will be learning about the Antarctica. Children will:

- Understand the position and significance of lines of latitude.
- Describe the location, physical and human features of Antarctica.
- Be able to use four-figure grid references to plot Shackleton's route to Antarctica.
- Plan a simple route on a map using compass points.

### English:



We will be learning how to write a biography, focusing on writing in the third person and organising our ideas in chronological order. Children will practise using past tense verbs and time conjunctions such as then, later and afterwards to clearly sequence events. Our final outcome will be for children to independently write a biography about Matilda, applying all of the features they have learnt. Children will continue to develop their comprehension skills through daily guided reading sessions based on VIPERS.

### Maths:



We will be covering the following topics for this half term:

Number: Fractions

### Science:



This half-term, we will be learning about Light and Shadows. Children will understand the difference between light and dark. Learn about a light source giving out light and that it is also known as luminous. Bright lights can damage eyes and all surfaces reflect at least a little light where light bounces off them. Shadows form when a slight source is blocked out.

### Computing:



**Digital Literacy:** *Internet Safety - Play, Like, Share*

**Computer Science:** *Animation using LGFL stop motion, Scratch Jr and Flipaclip*

**Art/DT:** Relief Printing with Nature

**Music:** Recorders, sticks and songs

**RHE:** Mental Health, Ourselves Growing and Changing

**RE:** Rituals in different faiths and religions

**French:** Days of the Week, Months of the Year

## PE:



P.E this term will be on Monday and Fridays afternoons.

The focus for this half term will be Dance and Handball.

## Spellings:



Children should learn their spellings each week using:  
Look, Say Cover, Write Check

Children will have a spelling test every Monday.

Spellings for each week are in your child's Home Learning book.

## Reading:

Children should read for at least 15 minutes every day.

## Times Tables:



By the end of Year 3, children are expected to know the x2, x3, x4, x5, x6, x8, x10 timetables.

Children should practice their timetables every day.

They will have a timetables test every Friday.

Timetables for each week are in your child's Home Learning book.

## Core Text:



Our core text is *Matilda* by Roald Dahl.



## Language of the Half Term:



Our language of the half term is Albanian.  
Our Albanian community represents 2.8% of our families.

## Poem of the Half Term:



Our poem this half term is  
The Sound Collector by Roger McGough

## Skills Builder:

This half term, we will be focusing on: **Leadership** and **Creativity**.



## Key Dates:

- 27<sup>th</sup> February - Birthday Bash
- 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day
- 6<sup>th</sup> March - Lima (Y2) Class Assembly
- 13<sup>th</sup> March - Harare (Y1) Class Assembly
- 13<sup>th</sup> March - Year 3 Class Trip
- 17<sup>th</sup> March - Year 1 Class Trip
- 18<sup>th</sup> March - Year 1 Class Trip
- 20<sup>th</sup> March - INSET day (School closed to pupils)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Year 2 Class Trip
- 25<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4 Class Trip
- 26<sup>th</sup> March - Year 2 Class Trip
- 27<sup>th</sup> March - end of term 1.30pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> April - Start of Summer term



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