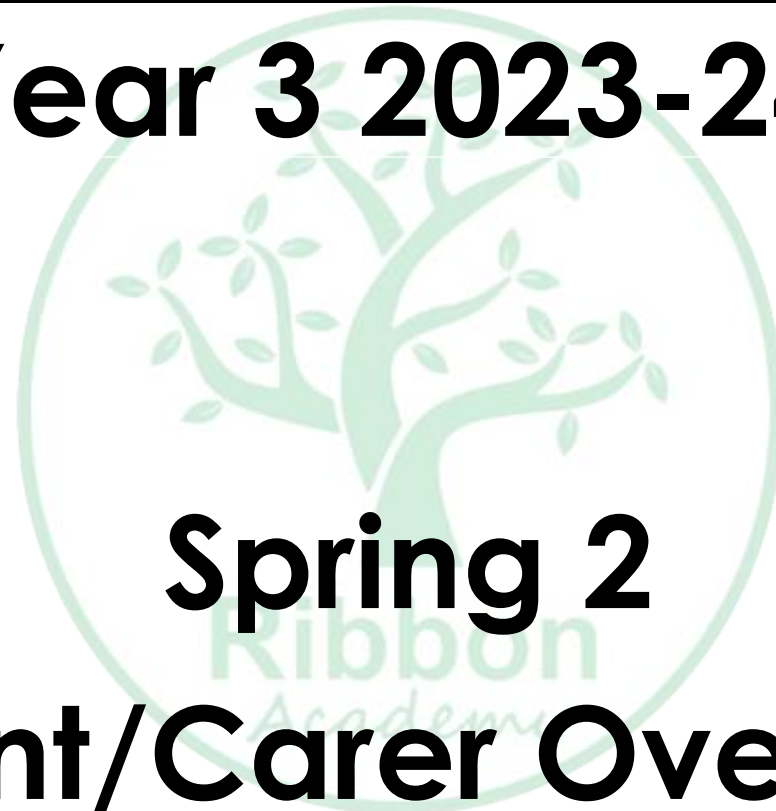


Year 3 2023-24

Spring 2

Parent/Carer Overview



The Core

Reading/ Phonics

The Boy who grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd

During reading sessions, your child will be enjoying the story of The Boy who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd. Based on this text, they will continue to embed their skills based on VIPERS. It will enable them to apply more ambitious vocabulary, infer thoughts and feelings, make predictions based on the story, explain the author's choices, retrieve answers to given questions and finally summarise the story.

During our phonics/spelling sessions, your child will revisit common spelling patterns.

Writing

The boy who grew dragons by Andy Shepard

During Spring 2, your child will be using this text to learn the skill of writing instructions. They will focus on using imperative verbs, conjunctions and questions to create effect for their audience.

This will also include careful choices of vocabulary and using different sentences (compound, simple and complex) to compose their own individual set of instructions.

Maths

Multiplication and Division

In this half term, your child will continue multiplication and division. They will broaden their understanding of mental and written methods. Your child will use various equipment and representations to support their understanding of the concepts.

Throughout the maths sessions we will use the symbols and vocabulary for multiplication and division. This will feed into our mental recall of times tables.

Science

Rocks

This half term, your child will compare and group different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. They will describe how fossils are formed and recognize soils are made from rocks and organic matter. Your child will carry out an investigation to find out which soil absorbs the most water.

Your child will be able to name the different kinds of rocks and identify similarities and differences.

The Creatives

Art & Design

Landscapes

During the half term, your child will create an individual landscape piece. They will be studying the work of Turner and Monet. They will experiment with the use of silhouettes and create their own collaged silhouette for their final piece.

Your child will create their own landscape piece combining painting and collage. They will be able to make choices as to which colour palette they use in their final piece, ensuring they are all individual and unique.

Design & Technology

Design & Technology was taught in Spring 1.

Music

Recorder

During spring term, your child will build upon their ability to play the recorder as focused upon in Year 2. They will begin to explore and create simple melodies that use steps and leaps within a range of notes.

Your child will continue to have the opportunity to learn a range of songs, focusing on our Ribbon virtue songs.

The Humanities

Geography

Geography was taught in Spring 1.

RE

Palm Sunday

This unit explores the story of Jesus' entry triumph into Jerusalem. Your child will also explore the meaning of Easter, focusing particularly on Palm Sunday.

Your child will build upon their knowledge of practices and objects connected with celebrations of Palm Sunday in churches. During this time, your child will be given the opportunity to ask questions, reflect on their own ideas, feelings and experiences.

History

Greeks

Your child will make a comparison between the Bronze Age in Britain and Ancient Greece. They will use sources to investigate and interpret how people were treated in Ancient Greece, including making comparisons to life in Britain. Furthermore they will look into whether people in Ancient Greece were treated differently. This unit enables your child to understand the characteristic ideas, beliefs and attitudes of Ancient Greece and explore the theme of diversity – the role of women, religion, and democracy on daily life - using evidence from wide-ranging sources.

PE

Games (Net & Wall)

While working with Mr. Lowerson, your child will participate in a selection of exciting net and wall games. They will use a variety of equipment and work on their communication and team skills.

Cricket

During the cricket sessions, your child will learn valuable team skills, ball control and the rules to compete in a game of cricket. Your child will work on their aim to hit the ball with a cricket bat.

Computing

Microsoft Word and Pages

Your child will become familiar with Apple Pages and Microsoft Word on the computer to present their learning. They will learn how to save and retrieve work, edit work and create a final presentation.

Your child will be focusing on the presentation of a document and how the positioning of font can effect this, positively and negatively.

MFL

Key Vocabulary

This half term, your child will focus on vocabulary naming days of the week, colours and countries. They will continue to count up to 20.

Your child will begin to develop their confidence in putting together simple phrases including expressing their likes and dislikes.

PSHE

Healthy Me

Across this half term, you child will explore how to identify things, places and people that need to be kept safe. They will explain a variety of strategies to keep safe.

Your child will begin to understand how to express their feelings linked to anxiety and being scared. They will understand how different things effect their body including exercise and drugs.

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