

Stokenham Area Primary School
Outline Planning for Autumn Term 2018
Years 3 & 4

Maths

The focus for this term will be to develop children's confidence in solving mathematical problems, using all four operations. There will be a strong emphasis on the skills needed to solve word problems. Alongside this, we will be investigating measures, handling data and shapes. It is vital that all children practise their number bonds and times tables regularly to support them in this.

English

This term we will be learn about a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. We will continue to develop children's skills and help them to improve their punctuation, sentence structure and handwriting. There will be a set of spellings to learn each week with regular practice in class and it is important that children practice these spellings at home ready for a test every Friday in Year 3 and Monday in Year 4. There will be weekly guided reading sessions in class for each child and please ensure your child is reading every night. It is vital that all children should come to their Guided Reading sessions fully prepared, having read any text set in class.

Science

This subject will be taught separately from the IPC and children will develop key scientific skills through hands-on, investigative sessions. We will be studying two topics in each class:

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| Year 3: 1) Magnets and Forces | 2) Animals including humans |
| Year 4: 1) Electricity | 2) States of Matter |

Foundation Subjects/IPC Units:

During the Autumn term we will be following two IPC units:

1. History topics: 'Scavengers and Settlers' in Year3 & 'Temples, Tombs and Treasure' in Year 4

During the **IPC unit** 'Scavengers and Settlers', Year 3 will be focusing on history, technology and art.

IN HISTORY, WE'LL BE:

- Finding out how fossils are made and what we can learn from them
- Finding out about our earliest ancestors
- Exploring the skills our ancestors needed to survive
- Using evidence to find out about a prehistoric hunter
- Finding out about a river valley civilisation
- Finding out about a Stone Age village
- Finding out about Bronze and Iron Age cultures

IN ART, WE'LL BE:

- Creating our own prehistoric cave paintings

During the **IPC unit** 'Temples, Tombs and Treasures', Year 4 will be focusing on

IN HISTORY, WE'LL BE:

- Finding out about the main events, dates and characteristics of Ancient Egypt.
- Finding out about the Egyptian people and creating our own Ancient Egyptian family.
- Exploring the reasons for particular events and changes.
- Gathering information from simple sources.
- Using their knowledge and understanding to answer questions about Ancient Egypt

IN GEOGRAPHY, WE'LL BE:

Looking at the location of Ancient Egypt using map skills.

Exploring the importance of the formation of the River Nile for Egyptians.

RE

This term we will explore the importance of religious figures and the role they play in said religions. Year 3 and 4 will explore Buddhism with a key focus on exploring if everybody can be happy all of the time. They will also explore Christianity and the ways in which Christians follow God.

ART

This term we will explore to the work of artists Tarsila do Amaral and Alfred Wallace who create interesting landscape work. We will be learning that to draw a successful landscape you need to think about foreground, background and middle ground and the horizon line.

MUSIC

We will be exploring descriptive sounds and rhythmic patterns by copying and then inventing our own rhythms. In addition, Year 3 will be learning to play the ukulele and Year 4 will enjoy Singing Workshops with Sharon Mitchell from KCC, alongside music in class.

PE

Our focus on Invasion Games will allow us to practice key skills and strategies in a range of ball games. Alongside this we will also be developing our skills in Dance.

PSHE

This term, children will continue to develop their social skills: considering how to get on with each other and be respectful and responsible. We will consolidate our learning through circle times and class councils. Our topic this term are 'New beginnings'.

French

We will begin to develop speaking and listening skills in lively and practical sessions alongside some learning about French culture.

Homework

We ask you to support your child's learning by reading with him/her every night. In Year 3, we aim

to have learnt 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x and 10x tables by the end of the year and will be asking children to practice these at home. The new Maths Curriculum requires children to know all of their times tables by the end of Year 4. We would also recommend that you enjoy reading to and discussing with your child, a longer, high-quality text, especially if s/he is still developing reading fluency. Feel free to check with us for appropriate children's stories.

There may be the occasional extra piece of learning that we will ask the children to complete, perhaps to research information for our topic work. Year 4 will be set further weekly tasks to be completed in a homework book in the Spring Term.

Many thanks for your continued support for your child's learning.

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