

English

Writing to Persuade: Exploring the features of persuasive letters. Planning and writing our own letters to encourage children to come to St. Lawrence.

Reading: The Hodgeheg by Dick King-Smith: Whole class reading, comprehension and questioning practice.

Grammar and Punctuation: Expanded noun phrases. Using a range of sentence starters. Understanding how to lay out a letter correctly.

Spelling: Year 3 national curriculum lists and high frequency words.

RE

Judaism: What are important times for Jewish People? Understanding the significance of Jewish festivals and why they are important to Jews.

Games and PE

Athletics – Mr. Paddington: A range of track and field disciplines – readying the children for Sports Day.

Rounders: Understanding the principles of striking and fielding. Playing in a variety of fielding roles. Working in collaboration and playing fairly.

Geography

Extreme Earth

Learning about the layers of the Earth.
How volcanoes are formed and how they affect the lives of people living nearby.
The causes of earthquakes, tsunamis and tornadoes.

Science

Plants

Understanding the parts of a plant and flower.
Investigating how plants use water transpiration.
Growing plants, Pollination processes and Seed Dispersal.
Life cycles of plants.



Year 3 Summer Term One

Trips, key dates and other Reminders

Reminders: P.E. days are Tuesday and Thursday – until Hockey finishes. Please send children in wearing P.E. kits on these days.

Homework: Spellings tested on Mondays - Sentences, Arithmetic and TTRS due in and marked on Tuesdays. There are now additional problem-solving tasks – these are optional.

Trips and Days: Kew Gardens Trip – Wednesday 21st May. Swifts Class Assembly – Friday 23rd May.

Computing

Coding. Creating programs with sequencing, loops and events. An introduction to binary, debugging and problem solving.

Music

Charanga – More Musical Styles. Play, improvise and compose using a selection of these notes: C, D, E, F, F#, G, G#, A, B

Mathematics

Number: Fractions B: Adding and subtracting fractions and partitioning 'the whole'. Finding fractions of a set of objects. Problem solving and reasoning with fractions of amounts.

Money: Pounds and Pence and converting between the two. Adding and subtracting money and finding correct change.

Times Tables: 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 - alongside related division facts. Daily 'Rolling Numbers' practise.

PSHE

Relationships:

Understanding roles and responsibilities within the family. Knowledge about the needs and rights of children.

Art and D.T.

Pneumatics:

Learning about air powered machinery. Designing and building an air-powered vehicle.