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Year 3 Autumn Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to welcome the children back to school and we have a brilliant year planned for them. If you have any questions or concerns throughout the year, please email us via office@hoveton-stjohns.norfolk.sch.uk. This newsletter is designed to inform you what the children will be learning about in the Autumn Term. Please also take a moment to explore the class web page where you can find all of the knowledge organisers for the foundation subjects.

English

We are going to begin by reinforcing the children's foundational English knowledge over the first few weeks. This will include revisiting sentence types and using colourful semantics. Our first writing unit will be exploring portal stories and is linked to a model text called Elf Road. Our second writing unit will focus on writing explanation texts and is heavily linked to the book 'Until I Met Dudley'. Children will also be learning about performance poetry which will lead to them performing their own piece.

Maths

Children are going to be continuing to follow the Power Maths scheme this year and begin learning about the place value of numbers up to 1,000. We will then move on to addition and subtraction and multiplication and division. Recapping the times tables from Key Stage 1, the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, at home would be very beneficial.

Science

In Autumn 1, children will learn about the human body. This will include learning about voluntary and involuntary muscles and joints. In Autumn 2, they will explore light and find out that light is a type of energy. They will also look at exploring what opaque and transparent mean.

History

Children will learn about Britain in the Stone Age in Autumn 2 and will find out how people lived in this period of history. It will also have some links to local history.

Geography

We begin the first half term by looking at Spatial Sense. This includes learning about human and physical features, which will ultimately lead us to comparing Norwich to San Francisco. Children will also begin to learn how to read and write grid references.

Art

Children we will be investigating how different lines can be used to create different effects. This will then lead us into creating prints and looking at the artist, Hokusai's pieces based on Mount Fuji.

P.E.

Our P.E. days for this term are on Monday (outside) and Thursday (in the hall). Please ensure that children come into school wearing the correct P.E. kit on these days.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday with it to be returned the following Thursday. Homework will include spellings, 3x reading diary comments and a maths task, such as Times Table Rockstars or a task to reinforce learning.

Kind regards,

Mr Popey