

## Year 3 Curriculum Overview

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to share what your child will be learning in Year 3 this term. Our aim is to provide an engaging and ambitious curriculum while encouraging children to extend their learning beyond the classroom.

Suggested at-home activities are included for each subject. These are optional ideas you can try together using everyday household items.

With thanks,  
The Year 3 Team

### English

This term in English, children will be studying the text *How to Live Forever* and writing their own prequel for this story. The children will then move on to study the book *Flotsam*, where they will write their own version of this story as a sequel. In reading, the children will be studying a collection of poems from the book *I am the Seed that Grew* as well as reading an adventure story called *Mr. Penguin and the Lost Treasure*.

Suggested home activity: Practise spelling the Year 3/4 spelling words. Read as much as you can, 10 minutes a day is perfect! Remember to make use of our wonderful school library as well as the library in Gainsborough – there are so many amazing books out there!

### Maths

In Maths this term, children will be learning:

How to add and subtract fractions

Working with money, recognising coins and notes and adding and subtracting different values

Telling the time to 5-minute intervals, using AM and PM

Suggested home activity:

Continue working on TT Rockstars, 10 minutes daily will really support retention of times tables facts.

Play shops at home, can you work out the change needed? Practise telling the time – this one needs lots of repetition!

### History – Ancient Civilisations

Children learn where and when early civilisations began. They compare achievements such as writing systems, buildings, roads and drainage.

Suggested home activity:

Create a simple timeline of your day. Talk about what people need to live in a community.

### Science – Plants

Children learn the functions of roots, stems and flowers. They explore pollination, seed dispersal and germination.

Suggested home activity:

Look at plants outside and talk about how they grow and spread.

### **Computing – Sequencing Sounds**

Children create simple programs using sequences. They control sounds and actions using commands and events.

Suggested home activity:

Make a sequence of sounds using your voice or objects. Repeat in order.

### **PSHE – Growing Up in Gainsborough**

Children learn about rights, responsibilities and how to care for their community. They explore behaviour and choices.

Suggested home activity:

Talk about ways to help at home and what it means to be responsible.

### **Religious Education – Understanding Christianity**

Children learn about Christian beliefs and the story of The Fall. They explore choices and consequences.

Suggested home activity:

Talk about good choices and what happens when rules are followed or broken.

### **Design and Technology – Textiles**

Children design and make textile products using techniques such as cross stitch and adding decoration.

Suggested home activity:

Use fabric or paper to design a simple pattern or decoration.