

# Year 3

## Spring 1 Learning Jigsaw

### Writing

In our writing lessons, we will be focussing on non-fiction writing this half term. We will be writing an explanation piece and a non-chronological report linked to our science and geography units. The grammar focus this half term is main and subordinate clauses to help us vary our sentence structure by using a range of conjunctions. We'll publish our work by typing it up on the computer.

### Reading

#### Individual reading

- Decoding Skills
- Fluency & expression
- Recognising and fluently reading new tricky words.

#### Group reading

- Retrieving key information from the text.
- Using evidence to support our answers.

### Maths

In Maths, our focus is multiplication and division. TTRS will be highly important in learning our 3, 4 and 8 times tables. We will learn how to use the column method to multiply and formal methods of division. We'll be practising our times tables regularly in lessons on TTRS. Remember, practise at home helps set the children up to succeed in our Maths lessons.

### Art.

Our current art focus is painting, inspired by Pablo Picasso. We will look at examples of work from a range of cubist artists to help us use their techniques in our lessons and final piece.

### Music

This half term, we will focus on our composition skills. We'll learn some simple ways to record music and perform in groups.

### Geography

In Geography, our topic is volcanoes. We'll familiarise ourselves with what volcanoes look like, learn how they are formed and discuss their human and physical impacts.

### RSHE

Our RSHE topic is 'Dreams and Goals'. There will be lots of discussions around our personal goals and the emotions that go with them.

### PE

Our next unit is dance. We'll learn different moves and practise and perform routines.

### Computing

We will be learning lots of different skills to help us with desktop publishing. We'll learn how to add titles, text and pictures to help us layout a document to make it eye-catching for the reader.

### Science

Our Science topic is 'Rocks'. We will be learning about different types of rocks and how they are formed. We will learn some key vocabulary such as 'decomposition' and 'permeability' to inform our investigations into how soil is formed. We'll also be experimenting to test the properties of different types of soil.

### Religious Education

We will be answering the question, 'What is it like for someone to follow God?' We'll look at a range of bible stories and consider different reasons for people to follow Christianity.

### French

The children will learn some simple vocabulary for different animals and how to talk about their favourite animals.

