

Dates for the diary:

- 03/03 School Nurse Drop In
- 06/03 World Book Day
- 14/03 Science fair (15:30 – 16:00)
- 14/03 Wear red for Red Nose Day
- 21/03 Big day of maths
- 21/03 Wear Odd Socks for World Down Syndrome Day
- 4/04/24 End of term 4

We are Writers

This term we will immerse ourselves in the coastal setting of *The Secret of Black Rock* by Joe Todd Stanton, using figurative language for description.



We will then be writing our own stories from an alternative viewpoint, following the story arc.



In our non-fiction writing we will be using different persuasive writing techniques to create our own travel posters to advertise a trip to Black Rock.

We are Self-Aware Citizens



During our Friday afternoon PSHE lessons, we will be exploring the theme **Relationships**. In this learning we will be identifying the skills of friendship and learning ways to resolve conflicts. We will then be moving on to explore the concept of being a global citizen and how we are connected to people around the world.

We also reflect on our behaviour for learning and set ourselves a gem target for the week ahead.

We are Geographers

As Geographers we will be building on the knowledge we grew last term about our continent, Europe. We will be focusing on The Mediterranean countries and comparing them to The UK, looking at the biomes, climate and topography of each group of countries.

We will be continuing to develop our map skills from last term as well as getting outside for some geography fieldwork studying the trees that grow in our local area.



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We are Scientists

In our learning as Scientists this term, we will be thinking about plants and what they need to survive. We will be making lots of predictions, observations and setting up our own experiments!

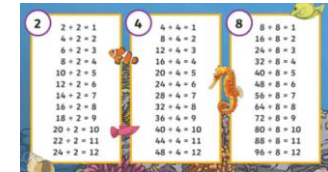
We will be exploring the water cycle, focusing on the journey of a raindrop.



We are Mathematicians

In Maths, we will be applying our understanding of number composition to learn the column method for addition and subtraction.

We will then be moving on to look at patterns in the 2, 4 and 8 times tables and will be trying to learn the number facts in these times tables by heart.



As always, we will continue to develop our problem solving and reasoning skills, with a particular focus on using our talking topaz power to share our ideas, and explain our thinking.



This term we will also be...

Athletes - developing our balance skills on a Wednesday, and playing touch rugby on Friday.

Philosophers – learning more about the key principles of Sikhism.

Computer scientists – developing our awareness of online communication and email safety.

Musicians – learning the fundamental skills of music, including rhythm and pitch.

General reminders

- Year 3 PE lessons are on Wednesday and Friday. Please send your children into school in their PE kit on these days.
- 3GB will continue to go swimming on a Friday morning until the Easter holidays.
- Your child should be bringing home two reading books a week. They can change these independently when they are ready. Please support them on their reading journey with lots of reading at home! Bookmarks will be checked on a Friday morning and reading tree books will be changed on a Monday afternoon.