



Waddesdon Village Primary School
Pathway to Excellence
Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn 2 2025

Topic: May the force be with you!

<p style="text-align: center;">Welcome to Class 3!</p> <p>I hope you have had a good break and are looking forward to the coming half term.</p> <p>Our topic is 'May the force be with you!'. We have planned a variety of learning opportunities this half term to develop your child's knowledge and understanding further.</p> <p>I have had the pleasure of teaching Class 3 last half-term and I am looking forward to continuing to teach them over the coming weeks. Please feel free to arrange to see me or talk to me over the phone if you have any queries. This can be done through the School Office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miss Allen</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Weekly schedule</p> <p>Monday: Homework to be handed in. Times table practise</p> <p>Tuesday (PM): PE with Exposure Sport.</p> <p>Wednesday: 2. Times table practise. Children will go to the library.</p> <p>Thursday: PE with Miss Allen (AM). Times Tables Test. Homework books to be handed out.</p> <p>Friday: Golden Time.</p>
<p>English</p> <p>Our core text this half term is 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes.</p> <p>This book will give children the opportunity to learn the features of instructions, which they will apply to writing their own set of instructions independently.</p> <p>In addition to this, children will explore a holiday brochure about the Prehistoric Skara Brae, which the children have enjoyed learning about. They will then write their own holiday brochure about a location of their choice.</p> <p>Children will have the opportunity to develop their comprehension skills through daily whole class reading sessions.</p>	<p>Mathematics</p> <p>This half term, we will continue developing our knowledge of place value up to 1,000.</p> <p>The children will then develop their understanding of angles and measure.</p> <p>Through a range of activities children will have the opportunity to practice their problem solving and reasoning skills, in familiar and unfamiliar contexts.</p>
<p>Computing</p> <p>Children will look at spreadsheets using the Purple Mash software. They will also be looking at Internet Safety and how to stay safe online.</p>	<p>Science - Forces and Magnets. Children will learn about forces in the context of pushing and pulling, and will identify different actions. There will be opportunities to conduct investigations into the strength of different types of magnets.</p>



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<p>PE PE with Exposure Sport will be on Tuesday afternoon. Children will be learning key skills in Football.</p> <p>PE with myself will be on Thursday mornings. Children will be learning the skills and the game of Hockey.</p>	<p>Music This half term the children will be learning about melodies, linking to Chinese New Year.</p> <hr/> <p>MFL French will be taught by Mr Mitchener on Thursday mornings. He will be following the Rigolo scheme of French work with a Unit called "En Classe".</p>
<p>Art/DT The children will be looking at the work of Antony Gormley and studying the sculptures that he has created. They will have the opportunity to make and develop their own sculptures through the medium of clay.</p>	<p>RE This half term the children will be learning about what happens during the festival of Diwali and whether the celebrations bring a sense of belonging to Hindus.</p>
<p>PSHE We will be focusing on the topic 'Family and Relationships'. The children will be taking part in discussions, circle time, drama and practical activities which will enable them to explore healthy family dynamics, friendship conflicts and respecting differences.</p>	<p>History This half term children will continue to learn about the history of Britain between the Stone Age and Iron Age. We will mainly be focusing on the Bronze Age and Iron Age, but also drawing comparisons with the Stone Age. The children will learn how life developed over this period and how the changes made then are still evident today.</p>
<p>How you can support your child at home? Enjoy reading to your child and listening to your child read. Discussing how reading helps you each day demonstrating your comprehension skills. Celebrate your child selecting a book from the Reading Rocket Challenge or one that is different from the type/author that they would usually pick. Look for rich vocabulary together in books and films then make a note of these words and try to use them in everyday conversations. Discuss which spellings they found tricky this week in their writing and encourage them to try a range of strategies to help remember. Discuss times table facts and encourage your child to regularly log onto Times Table Rockstars.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Important Dates:</p> <p>Tuesday 11th November— Open afternoon from 2:30pm. Friday 14th November—Children in Need Mufti Day Monday 24th November – Book fair all week Tuesday 25th November – Parent's evening 3.30pm-7.30pm Thursday 27th November – Parent's evening 3.30pm-5.30pm Friday 12th December – PAWS Christmas Mufti day Tuesday 16th December – Christmas Dinner Wednesday 17th December – PAWS School Disco Friday 19th December – Christmas party and break up for Christmas Monday 5th January – INSET DAY Tuesday 6th January – Children return to school</p>