

Chestnut Class Year 3

Autumn 1

September-October 2023

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PE



English

The text that we will be focusing on this half term is *Coming to England* by Floella Benjamin. We will be following the true story of Floella Benjamin's journey from Trinidad to England during the Windrush era.

Our reading unit this term will focus on extending our understanding of Rocks and Minerals through reading and comprehension.

During each text we will follow the same sequence of read, model, practice and apply.

Maths

In Autumn 1 we will be recapping on our understanding of place value, extending our knowledge to numbers up to 1000 and recapping addition and subtraction techniques.

Later in the term we will begin to use standard column addition and subtraction with both exchange and non-exchange questions.

Science

This half term Year 3 will be looking at forces and magnets.

There will be lots of knowledge-based learning as we will be investigating how forces impact the world around us. We will be looking at how different surfaces impact forces and where forces come from.

Later in the term, we will be looking at magnets and magnetic poles.

Geography

In Geography this half term we are starting our topic on volcanoes and will be investigating the question 'Why do volcanoes erupt?' We will be looking at the layers of the Earth, where on Earth volcanoes are located and how volcanoes and earthquakes are linked.

History

In History this half term we are starting our topic on the Romans and will be exploring what we learnt from them.

We will be exploring how the Romans invaded Britain, what they wore, why Hadrian's Wall was built and who Boudicca was!

PHSE and RE

This half term we will be looking at the Hindu faith. With our question being 'How do Hindu's view God and celebrate Diwali?' Our aim will be to understand and appreciate that there are differences in religious practice and understand what these are.

In PHSE, we will be continuing with our Happy Minds. Exploring the unit on 'Mett your brain'. The children will learn about their brains and how to understand them.

Home Learning

Homework for the week will be posted on Google Classroom on a Friday and should be completed by Wednesday. Teachers will inform the children how to complete this and place any extra information needed on Google Classroom.

Read at home 5 times a week - Strive for Five! This can be achieved through reading the school book provided or reading other texts that they have access to at home. Please ensure that you write all reads into the reading log and send these to school daily. Every read counts towards their 100 reads, earning them a new book to keep forever.

Doodle Maths and Doodle Times Tables - Access these regularly to ensure that times tables recall and recognition is quick and can support them in their maths work.

Doodle English - Access this regularly to improve grammar, punctuation and spelling knowledge.