

# Autumn Term One, Year 3

## Welcome from Phase Lead

Welcome to Year 3. We hope you are ready for a fun filled year of learning. As part of our first topic, ***Europe, where's that?*** we will be learning about what life is like in different European countries, discovering their capital cities, famous landmarks, physical features and local culture.

If you have any questions during the term, please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

## We are reading...



## English

This half term we are going to be using the picture book *Journey* by Aaron Becker to inspire our writing. We will be retelling the story in our own words and using this to help us plan and write our own adventure stories. We will also be practising our powers of persuasion by writing European travel guides.

## Maths

Throughout this half term, we will be learning to identify and represent 3-digit numbers in a variety of ways, as well as ordering and comparing them. Following this, we will be learning to use the column method to solve addition and subtraction calculations and applying these skills to a range of problems.

## Important Dates

W/C 18<sup>th</sup> September – Clubs start

W/C 9<sup>th</sup> October – Final week of clubs

W/C 16<sup>th</sup> October – Times table practice assessments

## Science

In our science lessons this half term, we are going to be learning about different forces, including push and pull forces, and how they impact movement. We will learning what magnets are and using them to discover whether all materials are magnetic or not. We will be making carefully thought out predictions and observing closely to help us make accurate conclusions.



## Geography/History

During our geography lessons this half term we will be learning about different European countries and their capital cities. We will be using maps to locate famous landmarks and physical features, such as river and mountains. We will also be learning about what life is like in different European countries compared to the UK, discovering local foods, clothing and celebrations.

## Art/DT

In art, we will be studying the work of David Hockney and carefully observing how he uses contrasting colours in his work to make it stand out. We will then use our knowledge of colours to design, sketch and paint a landscape inspired by Hockney's work.

## Music

As part of our music lessons, we will be listening carefully to sounds and creating our own actions and movements appropriate to each section of a piece of music.

## PSHE

As part our PSHE topic this half term, Being Me in my World, we will be establishing classroom rules, setting ourselves goals and considering how our actions and choices affect others.

## Computing

During our computing lessons this half term, we will be learning about digital devices and how they are connected to other devices and networks. We will be exploring how information is shared through devices and will discover what our school network looks like.

## PE

On Tuesday and Thursdays children are invited to come into school wearing their P.E kits ready for their P.E lessons..

This half term, the children will be learning a variety of ball skills and how to play basketball.