

Foundation Subjects

Geography - This term we will look closely at the UK and name and locate its countries, cities and surrounding seas. We will begin to use an atlas and compass to compare locations across the UK. We will also explore physical and human features of the places we have explored and then look closely at the area we live in.

History - This term, we will learn about the Anglo Saxons and the impact they had on Britain. We will look closely at the way they lived their lives and how this compares to our lives today.

Computing - We will start the year learning about how stay safe online. Later in the term we will develop our research skills, using the internet to find out about Anglo Saxons and how to use Google maps.

PSHE - We will focus on keeping safe and the importance of this both in and out of school, thinking about different ways we can look after ourselves in different situations. We will also think about being healthy and what this means for us.

RE - This term we will be thinking about creation stories across different religions and look closely at their different beliefs. We will also explore how new life is celebrated in different ways.

DT - For the first half term, we will link our DT work to our learning about the Anglo Saxons. This will include constructing Anglo-Saxon style houses, designing shields, cooking vegetable and barley stew and evaluating our work.

French - In Year 3, we will begin our topic by learning all about France and the features of the country itself. The children will then learn how to introduce themselves and share basic facts. Later in the term we will look at other greetings, numbers and how to say how old they are.

As always, you can help your child by talking to them about what they have learnt.

English

This term, the children will focus on grammar and how to enhance their descriptive writing. Using these skills, we will then describe Billy's adventure into the forbidden forest in the book 'The Minpins' by Roald Dahl. We will also use a range of texts to inspire us to create other imaginative pieces. We will be writing a short narrative, developing our poetry skills and investigating the features of an informal letter, leading to us creating our own.

We will investigate non-chronological reports linked to our history topic of Anglo Saxons, learning the features and practicing how to identify key facts and make notes. The children will use the features of these reports to write their own version of a non-chronological report.

We will continue to work on our spellings and recognition of Y2/3 common exception words. We ask that you please read with your child as much as possible to support learning at home. We will be sending home logins for bug club phonics (Y2) and spelling shed (Y3) which will be used both at home and at school.

Counties, Countries, Cities and Settlements



Year 2 and 3

Science

Animals including humans- We will be learning about the difference between living and non-living things and classifying animals based on different features. We will explore habitats and taking a close look at habitats in our local area. We will also look at the human body and what we need to stay healthy, including nutrition and hydration and how we maintain a balanced diet.

Please explore the local area with your child when out and about to support our learning in school.

Maths

In Maths, we will begin by focusing on place value and revising our number bonds and the value of the digits within different numbers. We will count in different multiples, in addition to learning the times tables. The children will investigate numbers in a range of ways; reading and writing, comparing and ordering them and solving problems and puzzles. We will move onto a focus on the four operations - addition, subtraction, multiplication and division where the children will learn and practice different methods. The children will apply their skills by solving problems.

You can help your child by counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s and by helping them to learn and practice their times tables.

Here is a link to a great game to help with number bonds and times tables. - [Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds \(topmarks.co.uk\)](https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Hit-the-Button)

The Notice Board

PE- This will be on a Friday afternoon. We will focus on passing on passing and receiving, working on our ball skills across a variety of sports.

Dance will also remain on Tuesday mornings- children don't need a kit for Dance but please make sure earrings are taken out and if your child has a verruca/wart please let us know.

Forest school will be on Wednesday mornings. Please make sure your child has appropriate footwear (wellies) and warm, waterproof clothing.

Please always send your child with a water bottle

Miss Mitchell will be in class Monday/Tuesday and Wednesday AM
Mrs Moon will be in class Wednesday/Thursday and Friday.

Mrs Baxter will be in class every morning and Mrs Lodge every afternoon. If you have any questions please send them to our class email address which is class2@scapegoathill.co.uk where a member of the team will get back to you asap.

We are reading... *The BFG*