



New City Primary School

This term we are doing some very interesting and exciting things. We are keen to encourage parents and carers to help in their child's learning at home and as such we are providing you with this overview of what we shall be teaching at school. We also value any resources that you can contribute related to any of our topics. We also ask you to help us by making sure that all homework is completed. If you have any queries please feel free to have a chat with us.

Year group: 3 Spring Term 2017

<u>Mathematics</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Science</u>
During the spring term children will be developing and deepening their understanding of mathematics. They will be comparing and ordering numbers up to 1000. They will be developing their understanding of place value and fractions and solving number problems. Children will be challenged to explain and reason their calculations when solving problems. They will be using a range of resources to support their learning.	In English children will be studying a range of myths and legends texts including Aesop's Fables. They will be developing their grammar, punctuation and spelling and producing extended pieces of writing to create characters and plots. They will also be writing poetry.	In the first half of the spring term children will be learning about rocks and soils. They will be investigating a range of rocks, classifying them and identifying uses for them. In the second half of the term children will be investigating light. They will plan investigations to test which materials don't let light through.
<u>Art/DT/Geography/History/Music</u>		
In the first half of the spring term children will be learning about the Anglo Saxons. They will be developing Anglo Saxon jewellery in art. They will be studying the culture of this time in history. The geographical focus, during the second half of term will be a study of the seven continents. Each week, the children will use a world map to locate the continent(s) in question and will then use smaller scale maps to locate countries and their capitals within the continent. The study will focus on the key physical and human features of each continent.		
<u>Religious Education</u>	<u>P.E</u>	<u>PSHCE</u>
We are lucky to be living in such a diverse community here in Plaistow. In religious education Year 3 will be learning about Holi and how and why Hindus celebrate Holi. This unit will help pupils investigate the stories surrounding the Hindu festival of Holi, a battle around good and evil and the importance of faithfulness and colour in our lives.	In physical education children will be developing their hand and eye coordination as well as their team skills through playing hockey and football.	During the spring term we will be discussing the harmful effects that alcohol and tobacco has on our body. We will explore how medicines help us but how they must be kept safely. In the second half of the term we will be finding out about people that help us including the Police and the Fire Service.
<u>Computing</u>	<u>Homework</u>	<u>Mandarin/French</u>
In the spring term children will be using a range of computing software to create a short film including video cameras and editing software. They will be developing their understanding of how the World Wide Web works.	The homework cycle is:- Monday - Spellings Tuesday - English - Bug Club etc Wednesday - Athletics Thursday - Mental Maths - Timetables Friday - Foundation subject/written piece of work to be returned on Monday. Children should be reading every evening. Please support us in encouraging your children to complete their homework and return it on the correct day.	This term year 3 will be learning basic language such as numbers, greetings, colours, and days of the week. We will explore and research different countries where the languages are used.
		<u>Educational Visits</u>
		In relation to our foundation curriculum, year 3 will be visiting a museum to see artefacts first hand from 'The Stone Age'.