

Spring A 2023



## CURRICULUM FOCUS

Year Group: Year 3



### Topic Title: Coasts and The Stuarts

**Aspects to be taught:** Our topics for the Spring term are 'Coasts and the Stuarts'

- Our first topic will be based on the formation of coasts in the UK and abroad. We will be looking at: what coasts are and how they are formed; finding out about the physical features of coasts and how erosion affects them.
- Our second topic for the term will be based on the monarchs- The Stuarts. We will be using our location during this study and not just looking at the Kings and the queens but the time when England was a republic and Cromwell was the leader. We will also be researching other key events during that time such as the Great fire of London and Guy Fawkes.
- In our English lessons, write our own Dilemma stories. We will also be using the book 'A pebble in my pocket' to write a chronological report about the formation of rocks in conjunctions with our science. In the second half term we will be developing our story writing and writing newspaper reports about events that happened during the Stuart Time period.
- In Maths, our topic will be continuing with our Multiplication and Division topic. We will be multiplying and dividing by 3, 4 and 8 and using these skills to solve reasoning and problem solving questions. We will then move on to fractions, money and statistics.
- In Computing, we will be using Purple Mash to understand how to use, create and interpret spreadsheets and learning to type and send emails.
- In RE, our focus is Judaism. During these lessons, we will be: learning facts about Judaism and Jewish beliefs; learning about the smaller Jewish celebrations including Passover, Sukkot and Purim and looking at how they celebrate Hannukah. We will also be finding out about how people pray in a variety of religions and going on a school trip to a Hindu
- In Geography, we will be using atlases to find and locate coastal areas, looking at their physical features and understanding how they're formed.
- Our main history theme this term is 'The Stuarts' We will be visiting the Cromwell Museum and finding out about the monarchs and the key events which happened during their lives. For 'Coasts' we will be investigating how coastal areas have changed over time and finding out reasons for this.
- **Our PE days will be on Monday and Thursday. Please make sure your child comes to school in their full PE kit on these days with earrings out.**
- Our PSHE focus will be Rights and Responsibilities. During these sessions we will be learning about our role in the world and how we can be responsible for our own and others well-being.
- In Art we are focussing on the artist Lowry and will be sketching and drawing using perspective.
- In DT we will be making food using our knowledge of a balanced diet.

#### We would like you to:

- Read with your child as often as possible, asking them questions about the story and characters. Please ensure you sign your child's bookmark every time they read. **4x a week**
- Remind your child to complete **10 garages** on Timestable Rockstars every week. This will be checked on a Friday.
- Your child is required to complete **three spelling games** on Ed Shed every week. This will be checked on a Friday

#### Additional Information:

- A Spring Calendar featuring key dates for the term has been sent separately.
- 27<sup>th</sup> January- Year 3 class assembly
- 2<sup>nd</sup> March- World Book Day
- Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> March- Parent meetings
- 31<sup>st</sup> March- Spring term closes

