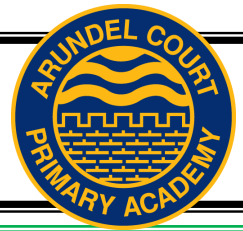


Year 3 Curriculum News



Maths

Within Summer 1 we have been concentrating on fractions. The children have been:

- finding and recognising halves, quarters, thirds, tenths and other unit and non-unit fractions.
- exploring their understanding of finding fractions of amounts and objects.
- And will be looking at equivalent fractions.

Within Summer 2 we will be:

- Furthering our understanding of the four main operations.
- Recognising 2D and 3D shapes and moving on to constructing 3D shapes out of various modelling materials.
- Deepening our understanding of the units of measurement for length, mass and capacity and solving

Computing

We will continue to 'tinker' with programming software, Scratch, learning how to create different sequences to music using their own avatars.

Music

This term Year 3 will be exploring elements of singing. They will learn 2 Roman based songs (from our topic work) as well as a Disco song about friendship, peace, hope and unity. They will also be exposed to a variety of classical music and find out interesting facts about the composers and how their music has influenced others.

Art and Design Technology

In keeping with our history topic, the Rotten Romans, Year 3 will explore the ancient art form of mosaics. They will look at the work of more contemporary mosaic artists and combine this with their repeated patterns work in computing to create eye-catching, printed mosaics that any Roman would be proud to have on the floor of their villa! Later on in the term, Year 3 will take part in our EGGstreme Challenge when they try their hand at sawing, fixing and joining parts to create a working trebuchet, from which they will launch uncooked eggs!

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THE ROTTEN ROMANS



Diary Dates

8th June - Roman Gladiator Workshop

6th July - Paultons Park Visit

Science

In science, we will be becoming personal trainers in the first half term, learning all about what makes our bodies work and what healthy bodies need to keep going.

Whilst in the second half term, we will learn about darkness and light, how shadows are formed and the importance of the sun for our wellbeing and for life in general.



History

The Rotten Romans will be our area of historical study this term, building on from our work in the autumn term on the Iron Age Celts. Year 3 will meet and work with a Roman Gladiator midway through their learning to experience life in the Roman army and as a gladiator. We will focus on the succession of Roman emperors and the growth of the Roman Empire during this ancient time, including battles against fearsome warriors such as Queen Boudicca!

RE

Our religious studies for the summer term is based around the concepts of creation in the Christian belief and 'good' vs 'evil' in the Jewish festival of Purim.

English

We kicked off this term with an unusual form of poetry known as 'shape poetry.' This has enabled us to expand our vocabulary and stretch our creativity skills.

We have since revisited our story writing skills and have had a go at writing stories with a 'lost and found' theme. The children have written a brilliant guided recount of the story 'Lost and Found' and will then use these skills to independently write a recount of short Pixar animation 'Lou'.

Later in the summer term, we will be exploring news paper articles and writing our own versions to explain what happened to some of the Roman Emperors.

We will also be learning about persuasive writing and techniques writers use to persuade us to buy, sell, shop or visit! We will be looking at a range of different texts and then trying our hand at our very own persuasive leaflet.

PSHE

Our focus for PSHE this term will be relationships. We will concentrate on how to form and maintain good relationships, making sure that we treat others respectfully, solve problems when they occur and ensure that others feel included in groups. As we approach Year 4, we will also discuss the changes we notice in ourselves - both physically and emotionally.

PE/Games

During this half term, we will continue working through a PE programme known as 'Real PE,' which focuses on the development of agility, balance, coordination, healthy competition and cooperative learning. We will also work together in team games to take part in track and field sports.

Reminders

Please remember that school starts promptly at 8:50am. We kick start our days with spelling practice so it is essential that your child is on time for this!

PE days are alternate Mondays and Wednesdays but are subject to change. Please make sure your child arrives in their PE kit on these days.