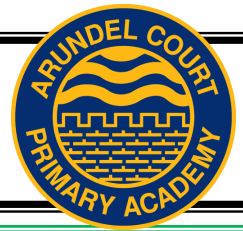


# Year 3 Curriculum News



## Maths

The key areas covered this term:

- Securing our multiplication and division facts for the 10x, 2x, 5x, 3x, 4x and 8x tables as part of our school's Magnificent Multiplication scheme.
- Learn how to use formal written methods to solve subtraction and multiplication problems.
- Working with money, including adding and subtracting amounts of money to give change using £ and p.
- Starting to learn about fractions, including counting forwards and backwards in tenths, and recognising and using fractions to find amounts, ensuring that we understand what the function of the numerator and denominator are.



## YEAR 3 - 2023 Spring Term



### CHICHESTER & RUSSIA



## Diary Dates

### INSET DAYS:

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

### Chichester Trip:

3AH-Thursday 12th January

3WW-Wednesday 25th January

3CJ-Thursday 26th January

### St Faiths Trip:

End of March - Visit to St Faiths Church to see Father Marcus explain the Easter Story.

Our Outdoor Learning trial programme has been a huge success and will continue throughout the Spring Term.

## English

This term in English, we are focusing on writing character descriptions. We will practise using a rich and varied vocabulary to describe characters in 'Where the Wild Things Are' and 'Rotten Island.' To help us, we will look at different examples of character descriptions from a wide-range of texts. We will also develop our use of dialogue and paragraphs in our writing.

For our non-narrative unit, we will explore the range of linguistic and presentational features used in information texts with a view to producing our own information leaflets all about the varied geographical features of Chichester.

Our spelling work will focus on a range of prefixes, suffixes and apostrophes used in contractions. We will also learn a selection of statutory words from the Year 3 and 4 spelling lists.

## Computing

Safer Internet Day takes place on February 8th this year so our first unit will focus on staying safe online.

We will then complete a unit based on creating simple publications.

## Science

Our science units will explore forces and magnets, including carrying out fair tests.

We also have lots of fun experiments planned to explore plants and what they need in order to grow well.

## PSHE

Our focus for PSHE this term will be 'Dreams and Goals.' This will include finding out about different occupations and what children would like to achieve in life. For the second half term we will be focusing on keeping our minds and bodies healthy.

## Music

This term, we will be learning how to play the ukulele using the expertise of Portsmouth Music Hub teaching staff.

We will also be learning and performing the song 'Three Little Birds' - a reggae song by Bob Marley. This will include listening to and appraising other reggae music.

## PE/Games

During this term, we will continue our work on movement in the form of dance. We will also work together in team games to improve our speed, agility and fitness.

## Geography

We will be comparing the city of Chichester with our knowledge of Portsmouth. This will include locating places on a map and learning about the topographical features of Chichester.

Later on in the term, we will study the remarkable range of Russia's rich, rugged terrain focusing especially on its various different climate zones.

## PE DATES

PE days are alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please make sure your child arrives in their PE kit- a simple t-shirt, shorts/ tracksuit bottoms are acceptable (no crop tops or football shirts please).

Wednesday 4th January  
Thursday 12th January  
Wednesday 18th January  
Thursday 26th January  
Wednesday 1st February  
Thursday 9th February  
HALF TERM

Wednesday 22nd February  
Thursday 2nd March  
Wednesday 8th March  
Thursday 16th March  
Wednesday 22nd March  
Thursday 30th March

## Art and Design Technology

For our Art unit, we will be exploring colour washes using water-based paints and creating a silhouette skyline of Chichester.

In D&T lessons, we will learn how to perform simple stitches and how to sew embellishments onto fabrics. We will create a small cushion with a design that links to our topics of Chichester and Russia.

## RE

Our religious study for the spring term focuses on the concepts of 'worship' in the Jewish faith and 'belief' in Christianity, during which we will study the Easter Story. The concept of 'belief' will also help us to challenge different stereotypes.

