



Termly Curriculum Overview Letter

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St John's Meads CE Primary School
Rowsley Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex BN20 7XS

Teacher	Mrs Bettles & Mrs Dyer	Class	3
TAs	Mrs Riddle & Mrs Avery		
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Welcome to Year 3!

Mrs Bettles will teach the class on a Monday and Tuesday. Mrs Dyer will teach the class on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Riddle will support the class every day and Mrs Avery will support children in the mornings. Mrs Gallini will be with Year 3 for some of Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons to cover PPA (planning, preparation and assessment time).

We have lots of exciting learning coming up this term. We are also planning a fun Beach School afternoon – watch this space!

Please use the following email address if you should need to contact us: year.three@sjm.academy

Main Areas of Learning to be covered

- **English:** We will be writing stories inspired by Fantastic Mr Fox with a focus on setting and character description. We will also be writing non-chronological reports about fantasy creatures, using our imagination to describe their features and behaviours.
- **Maths:** We will be starting the year with a unit on place value, understanding the value of numbers up to one thousand. We will then move onto addition and subtraction with three-digit numbers. We will use a range of manipulatives to support our calculations. We also have daily fluency, which will focus on multiplication tables.
- **Science:** Our focus is on Light! We will recognise we need light to see things, ways to protect our eyes and explore shadows.
- **RE:** We will be reading the Creation story and answering the question, “ What do Christians learn from the Creation story?”
- **PSHE:** This term our theme is “Being Me in My World” and is all about celebrating who we are as individuals.
- **Art:** We will be taking inspiration from Alex Calder and creating self-portraits. We will look at and discuss some of his most famous artworks.
- **Humanities:** This term will have a Geography focus. Our topic is ‘Countries of the World’,



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identifying continents, countries and capital cities. We will identify human and physical features and find similarities and differences between different countries.

- **Computing:** We will be learning about online safety.
- **Spanish:** Our focus is on 'phonetics', developing accurate and authentic pronunciation.
- **PE:** Indoor PE will be on a Thursday with a focus on Gymnastics. Outdoor PE will be on a Friday where we will be developing ball skills.
- **Music:** We will be singing songs and exploring different instruments.

Homework

- ☺ Your child should read to an adult every day and record it in their reading record.
- ☺ Practise times tables on Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS) - your child will have a weekly Times Table Club challenge.
- ☺ Practise spellings – your child has a list of the term's spelling words
- ☺ Engage in online tasks through Century Tech for English and Maths.

dolphin	babies	hoping	address	answer
alphabet	ladies	riding	breath	appear
photo	puppies	sliding	breathe	centre
elephant	jellies	writing	build	century
when	parties	wasting	circle	history
wheel	pennies	biting	famous	often
what	hobbies	shining	library	quarter
where	cities	having	strange	question
why	bunnies	taking	surprise	regular
who	poppies	stony	building	naughty

Christian Value

Each term we will focus on a different school value. This term, our whole school value is **Love**. Throughout the term, we will explore this value in our classrooms and during whole school collective worship, encouraging children to show love through their words, actions, and attitudes towards their learning, their lives, and others around them. We will talk about how love can be expressed in simple, everyday ways, such as kindness, patience, and respect. To celebrate and encourage this, each Friday we will present **Value Awards** to children who have been shining examples of love in action. We hope this focus will inspire our pupils to create a caring and supportive school community where everyone feels valued. Please see our term 1 values flyer for more information.

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