

Theme

During this term, the children in Year 3 will be focusing on the theme '**Mad and Marvellous**'.

The children will become immersed in the works of Roald Dahl. We will be looking at 'George's Marvellous Medicine' and then 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.

In **Literacy**, we will focus on:

- Story-writing, with a focus on describing the setting and characters
- Poetry
- Instructional texts, such as recipes

There will be a focus on consistently using a range of punctuation accurately – full stops, commas in lists, question marks, exclamation marks and speech marks. All children will have individual targets for their writing.

In **Science**, we will be learning about light including sources of light, reflection, shadows, the absence of light and night safety.

In **Art**, the children will be looking at the "Mad and Marvellous" work of artists such as Dali, Kandinsky and Picasso, as well as the illustrations of Quentin Blake. This will be a starting point for their own creativity. We will also be producing some shadow art.

Home Learning

They will receive either Maths, Literacy or Topic homework each week. Homework will be given out on a Friday and is due in by the following Wednesday. Further into the term, we will ask the children to produce a book report / project about a Roald Dahl book of their choice.

Year 3, Term 1: 'Mad and Marvellous'

Our value this term is Collaboration

Maths

This term, we will be reinforcing number work and calculation, mental and written. We will be covering:

- place value, using hundreds, tens and units
- reading, writing and ordering numbers
- counting and estimating
- addition and subtraction
- multiplication and division through number facts, and repeated addition and subtraction

Computing

In Computing, we will be creating e-books, combining pictures and text to make our own Mr Men or Little Misses book.

RE

We will be looking at why we mark special moments, for example weddings, naming ceremonies and baptism. We will also be looking at Jesus' baptism.

French

This year the children will be starting to learn French. They will learn some basic greetings, numbers and giving commands.

Wow events!

We will be holding a "Mad and Marvellous" day when we will dress up as Roald Dahl characters and celebrate the works of Roald Dahl. The date will appear in the Newsletter shortly.

PE

The children will be developing their gymnastics skills in Indoor P.E. Outdoors, the children will learn the skills needed and how to participate as a team player in a variety of traditional ball sports.

PE days are Thursday and Friday for 3C and Tuesday and Thursday for 3MT.
Please make sure that your child has their correct kit (including trainers) in school every day.

Reading

Reading scheme books will be sent home on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The books must be brought back into school the following day. We would strongly advocate that your child read every day to an adult.