# **Spring Curriculum Overview – Year 3**



# **English**

- Write a myth based on the story of Theseus and the Minotaur
- Write an adventure story inspired by 'The Last Bear' by Hannah Gold
- Write non-chronological report based upon the text 'Skeletons and Muscles' Ben Hoare
- Reinforcing VIPERS skills through reading comprehensions related to class text

### To support your child with this aspect of their learning you could:

- Continue to enjoy reading a full range of genre at home
- Pick out interesting vocabulary the author has used
- Encourage your child to read with expression
- Ask comprehension questions requiring a deeper level of understanding (How do you think the character felt? How would you feel if you were the character? Why do you think the character did that?)
- Explore other popular Myths such as Pandora's box, Hercules and the Fall of Troy



# Science/Computing



# RHSE/RE/PE



### Science

- Discuss contact forces such as friction and non contact forces such as magnetism
- Investigate magnetic properties; magnetic earth and uses of friction and magnetism
- Identify, classify and seeking patterns
- Compare and groups rocks based on their appearance, properties or uses
- Naming types of rock
- Learning how fossils are formed
- Mary Anning
- Investigate soils from the local environment

### Computing

- E Safety
- **Databases**

- RHSE Dreams and Goals
- Identifying personal dreams and ambitions
- Self motivation for achieving new challenges Recognising obstacles and how to overcome them Healthy Me
- Understanding how exercise helps to keep our heart and lungs healthy
- Identifying when situations are safe or unsafe
- Identifying strategies for keeping safe

### RE

- Learn the meaning of Ash Wednesday
- What is Lent?
- Understanding the importance of the events in Holy Week

Art/D&T

### PE

- Handball and Dance
- Basketball and invasion games

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## **Maths**

- Exploring multiplication and division facts for 2.3.4.5.6.8 and 10 times tables
- Multiplying and dividing 2 digit and 1 digit numbers
- Tell, record, write and order the time in both analogue and digital
- 12 hour time, AM and PM
- Fractions as part of a whole
- Add, subtract, compare and order fractions

### To help your child with this aspect of learning you could:

- Continue to practice the 4 mathematical calculations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division)
- Ask quick fire times table questions to practise 2,3,4,5,6,8 and 10 times tables
- Practise telling the time on both analogue and digital clocks
- Discuss fractions in everyday life e.g.- cake and pizza



# History/Geography

### History

- Mary Anning
- Pompeii
- Cause and effect of a significant historical event

### Geography

- Features and characteristics of the earth's layers
- Explore volcanoes and earthquakes
- Latitude and Longitude
- Using maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and describe features
- Learn about Tsunamis



## Sculpture

- Ammonites
- Figure drawing
- Urban landscapes
- Leaning about Cam mechanisms
- Design, make and evaluate an automaton toy



# Music/French (KS2)



- Sing, play, improvise and compose with the song 'Three Little
  - Birds' by Bob Marley
- Listen to a range of reggae songs
- Body parts
- colours