

Working together

Homework

Homework will be set on Friday and must be completed by the following Wednesday. The children may also be asked to carry out some independent research relating to our topic. Children still need to read regularly, preferably a few pages each day, and have a discussion about what they have read. They should continue to work towards their next Bookworm Award. It is beneficial for children to read aloud to a listener each day. Spellings will be in their homework books this half-term and they will be tested weekly on a Wednesday. Year 3 are aiming to win the Spelling Bee as often as possible!

Times Tables

In year 3, the children are expected to learn and practise their times tables. Each week the children will be tested and by the end of year 3 are expected to have quick recall of their 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10 times tables. We would appreciate your continued support in learning these as they will be very beneficial for your child's general maths knowledge.

PE kit

PE will be on Tuesday and Wednesday. PE kit must be in school at all times. Please ensure that all PE kits are complete and clearly labelled. It is expected that spare socks are also in their bags and no earrings are worn on these days.

Learning together

To support your child's topic we are providing you with some fun ideas for trips and other ways to head start their learning linked to our topic.

- Visit the library to do some research about the oceans and continents.
- Give you child time to explore an atlas, looking at the continents and the countries found within them: <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/kids-world-atlas/maps.html>
- Make maths fun at home. Get your child to work out the total cost of some food items and practise telling the time.

Year 3 dates for your diary

Return to school for children	07.01.20
Start of term Mass	14.01.20
Writing Workshop	23.01.20
O2 Choir	24.01.20
Half yearly report sent out	14.02.20
Half Term: school ends at 3.30pm	14.02.20



St. Anthony's Catholic Primary School & Nursery

Learning, Growing and Living with Jesus



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Year 3 Curriculum
and
key information
for the first half term

Core Subjects

RE

The children will start the year by looking at the church through the topic of **Community**. They will look at how communities are held together by communal celebrations such as the mass.

During this half term they will be introduced to the topic **Relating**. This topic looks at the importance of the Eucharist and is appropriately timed for all those children taking communion for the first time this spring.

English

In literacy this term the children will be given the opportunity to explore texts by the world renowned author Roald Dahl and use these to develop their writing. The texts will be 'The Twits' and 'The Enormous Crocodile'. We will also be looking at texts for reading that link with our Creative Curriculum. These will be 'The Sea', 'The Secret of Black Rock' and 'Deep-Sea Diary'. Our **grammar** focus this half term will be on using conjunctions to extend our ideas and beginning to look at the structure of a range of clauses.

Maths

The Maths topics include: multiplication and division

Science

In Science this half term, the children will be living things and how they survive.

Computing

In computing this half term, we will be focusing on learning about search engines and how to surf safely on the internet.

Music

All the children will continue to learn how to play the Recorder by attending weekly lessons.

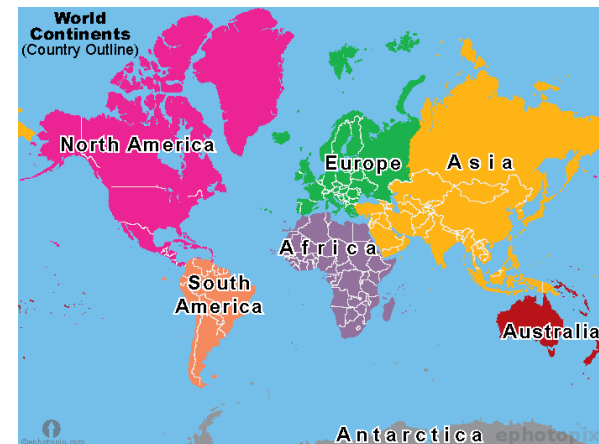
Creative Curriculum

Through our creative curriculum topic, Oceans and Continents, the children will be given the opportunity to build on their **geographical skills** when finding out more about the continents and oceans which make up our world. The children will begin by asking questions about the world and over the half term they will develop their research skills to find the answers.

There will be a focus on map work and using atlases to locate the different continents and identify countries within them. They will also be given the opportunity to compare one of the continents with Europe, looking at features such as: size, population, longest river, highest mountain etc. When looking at the oceans, the children will do a deeper study of the Australian Coral Reef.

Through **Art and Design**, we will be printing with real fish and octopi to have a full sensory experience.

This topic also allows us to think about the sounds of the ocean to create our own **musical soundscapes**.



As we are a Rights Respecting School, this half term through our creative curriculum, the children will learn about the goals for education across the world, with reference to article 29: Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment. As a Global Partnership School our global goal this half term is 14: Life below water.