

# Year 3 Curriculum

Autumn 2



## **Year 3 Autumn 1 Curriculum**

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3. Writing
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8. History or Geography

## **St Joseph's Wider Curriculum**

The wider curriculum focus this term is 'Our Heritage'

During this theme the school will be celebrating the cultural diversity of our school community and Black History Month.

The children will be looking at significant people from the past and present who have helped shape modern day society.

PSHE objectives will also be taught throughout the unit of work. These include:

- To value the different contributions that people and groups make to the community.
- Diversity: what it means; the benefits of living in a diverse community; about valuing diversity within communities -
- Stereotypes; how they can negatively influence behaviours and attitudes towards others; strategies for challenging stereotypes
- Prejudice; how to recognise behaviours/actions which discriminate against others; ways of responding to it if witnessed or experienced.

There will be many opportunities throughout the term for the school and the wider community to come together to celebrate 'Our Heritage'

Events include: a school food festival, fashion show, story tellers and inspirational speakers.

## Reading including phonics

### **Expectations for Autumn 2**

- Reading for 10 minutes at least 4 times a week
- Children to bring in own reading books if they wish or borrow from classroom/ school libraries
- Complete reading journal at least once a week
- Regular Library visits in school

### **Objectives for Autumn 2**

- I can draw on information given by my teacher
- I can understand a flow chart or diagram that explains a process
- I can read a poem and find patterns and repeated language
- I can role play by acting as a hero or villain
- I can explain why something happened
- I can read a poem aloud with others

**Key vocabulary:** Vocabulary, Adventure tale, Fiction, Setting, Scene, Character, Characterisation

### **Ways to help your child and useful resources**

Shared reading  
Visits to the library  
Listening to audiobooks  
Discussing books and other non-fiction texts  
Watching Newsround

## Writing

### **Expectations for Autumn 2**

- Write an adventure story
- Write a set of instructions

### **Objectives for Autumn 2**

- Record information from non-fiction sources
- Write noun phrases
- Write a list using commas
- Revisit and build upon previously learned skills from KS1
- Plan paragraphs for a story
- Join letters using diagonal and horizontal strokes
- Keep all letters an even size
- Make sure the down-strokes of letters are parallel
- Space all line of writing so ascenders and descenders of letters

**Key vocabulary:** Fairy tale, Fiction, Setting, Character, Characterisation, statements

### **Ways to help your child and useful resources**

- Encourage children to read for at least 10 minutes a day (great readers make great writers)
- Practice their spellings everyday
- Encourage children to play games with writing such as 'Find the word' where children search for a word in the story and look up the definition
- Encourage children to write a letter to a family member/ keep a journal
- Invest time in writing

## **Maths**

### **Expectations for Autumn 2**

To revise, consolidate and further develop skills learned in KS1 on the topics of subtraction, multiplication and division

### **Objectives for Autumn 2**

Calculations:

- Subtract numbers with up to 3-digits using a written method
- Recall and use  $\times$  and  $\div$  facts for the 3 times table
- Recall and use  $\times$  and  $\div$  facts for the 4 times table
- Recall and use  $\times$  and  $\div$  facts for the 8 times table
- Use efficient written methods to times a 2-digit and 1-digit number

**Key vocabulary:** place value, hundreds, tens, ones, column, part-whole, exchange, difference, multiply, divide, groups of

### **Ways to help your child and useful resources**

- Practice skills of subtraction, multiplication and division
- Purple Mash maths games
- Busy Things maths games

## **RE**

### **Expectations for Autumn 2**

Children will learn about Mary, our Mother  
Children will learn about Advent

### **Objectives for Autumn 2**

God calls MARY  
Mary says 'yes' to God  
Mary, Our Mother  
We prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus  
God becomes man  
Advent  
The Christmas Story

### **Key vocabulary:**

Annunciation, Angel Gabriel, feast, Hail Mary, saviour, Jews, worship, wise men, shepherds, inn, visit, birth, Christmas, Advent, candle, wreath, joy, love, peace, hope, Christ

### **Ways to help your child and useful resources**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/42182268>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zbpg7nb/revision/2>

## **Science**

### **Expectations for Autumn 2**

Children will learn about how they need light in order to see things, notices that light is reflected on some surfaces, recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous, understand that shadows are formed when light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object and understand how the size of a shadow can change

### **Objectives for Autumn 2**

- To describe the reflections when light is reflected from surfaces.
- To record observations and make sense of them
- To describe how shadows are formed.
- To design and carry out a fair test.
- To research and gather some key facts about how mirrors have been made over the centuries.
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- To make a simple mirror and create a list of the key uses.

### **Key vocabulary:**

Reflection, travel, shadow, straight line, retroreflective material, opaque, measure

### **Ways to help your child and useful resources**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z3jmwnb>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3nnb9q>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3nnb9q/articles/z9wm7yc>



## Computing

### **Expectations for Autumn 2**

Use individual username and password to log onto computer (do not share the information)

Understand how to send and receive emails

### **Objectives for Autumn 2**

- Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.
- To think about the different methods of communication.
- To open and respond to an email
- To write an email to someone from an address book
- To learn how to use email safely.
- To add an attachment to an email.

**Key vocabulary:** computer, screen, cursor, power button, password, username, email, sender, subject, receive, attachment, address book, communication, respond, open

### **Ways to help your child and useful resources**

Purple Mash: <https://www.purplemash.com/sch/stjosephs-jun-se19>

## Geography

### **Expectations for Autumn 2**

To explore and learn about key aspects related to Extreme Earth To know about the different types of extreme earth and how they can affect the earth and people

### **Objectives for Autumn 2**

- Can locate the world's countries, focusing on Europe and North and South America
- Can describe and understand key aspects of physical geography including climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts
- Can describe and understand key aspects of physical geography including earthquakes and volcanoes, rivers, mountains and the water cycle
- Can describe and understand key aspects of human geography, including types of settlement and land use.
- Can establish an understanding of the interaction between physical and human processes.

**Key vocabulary:** climate, vegetation, volcano, earthquake, tornado, tsunami, sinkhole, mountain, river, biome, hemisphere, continent, country, ocean, pole, tropic

### **Ways to help your child and useful resources**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z849q6f/articles/z7dkhbk>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zsw4kty>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z849q6f/articles/zd9cxyc>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z849q6f/articles/zj89t39>

