**Literacy**

**Reading**
We are looking at increasing our fluency in reading by re-reading and developing the use of expression. Pupils will be learning to predict with more depth and give reasons for what they think, using the front cover, title and the blurb. We will continue to use a thesaurus to allow pupils to use alternative words and expand their vocabulary.

**Writing**
We are learning to write a journey story. We have been looking at a model text and we are analysing the themes, vocabulary and structure to be able to write our own. Throughout this process we will look at punctuation and the use of speech marks.

**Listening and Talking**
We are using circle times and group discussions to develop our listening and talking skills. We will be looking at presenting a healthy plate of food in the coming weeks.

**Numeracy and Maths**
In maths we are learning to apply different strategies to solve multiplication word problems. We will continue to develop skills to find the fraction of an amount and link this to multiplication knowledge. Now pupils have a deeper understanding of multiplication, pupils will begin to look at division and use their times table knowledge to help them.

Pupils will be encouraged to apply strategies to solve word problems as well as sums as they need to be able to extract the question and solve it.

**Health and Wellbeing**
P3 pupils are continuing to work on building relationships and looking at inclusion. We are lucky enough to be receiving some class work from ‘Your Space’, which will allow us to engage and solve in any relationship tension or playground problems. As a class we strive to create a safe and nurtured environment for everyone.

We will be learning about having a healthy lifestyle, including healthy foods and keeping ourselves safe. We touched on internet safety last term, but this is something we will continue to discuss as a class, ensuring pupils all know how to use the internet safely and securely.

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**Other curricular areas**

**PE** this term will be on a Monday afternoon. Pupils will be learning to develop skills of striking and fielding through rounders. This will also allow pupils to work on team building skills as a class. We will also focus on fitness and athletics, involving running, balancing and coordination skills.

Our new topic is Planet Earth. We will be learning about space and how this impacts our day to day lives. We will explore light and dark alongside looking at the sun and the moon. We will be using art to model what we learn about specific areas of this topic. Pupils will get the chance to explore the different light and dark environments at Camera Obscura for our class trip alongside P2/3.

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**Other information:**

Please ensure your child has names on all school clothing. This will prevent anything from being lost. Can we ensure all pupils have a PE kit.

**Wider Achievement**
We are looking to celebrate the wider achievement of pupils outside of school. Please encourage your child to tell teachers about their achievements or send in a small note so this can be recorded and celebrated.

**Daily Mile**
We are taking part in the daily mile every day. Please make sure your child has appropriate footwear and a jacket with them.

**Homework**
Homework will be given out on a Monday and handed in on a Friday. There will be reading tasks recorded each night in reading records as well as a weekly numeracy task.

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**Primary 3**
**Term 4**
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**Dates to look out for:**
- Monday 6th May – May Day Holiday
- Monday 13th – Friday 17th May – Health Week
- Tuesday 14th May – Sports Day
- Thursday 23rd May – Possible School Closure due to European Election
- Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th May – Parent Consultations
- Thursday 6th June – Trip to Camera Obscura
- Friday 28th June – End of Term