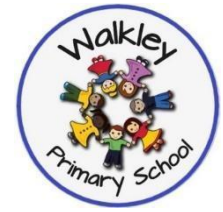


Year 3
Summer 2
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Walkley Primary School Curriculum Newsletter

'Enjoyment, Achievement and Learning for life...'



Key Information and Dates

Our trip to see the **Halle Orchestra** perform at Sheffield City Hall (which was sadly cancelled due to the snow!) has been rearranged for **Friday 7th July**.

Our PE days are Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please remember to wear your PE kit and suitable footwear to school on these days.

Our Golden Award assemblies continue at 2:30pm on Fridays - please come along to celebrate!



English

In English this half term, we will be learning how to write persuasively as we write a travel advert persuading prospective travellers to book a holiday to Greece. As we move on to our new exciting new Geography topic, we will be learning how to write an explanation text for how volcanoes form.

We will also enjoy reading a range of texts linked to our Geography topic, *Extreme Earth*, including the non-fiction 'Pebble in my Pocket: A History of Our Earth' and 'Stone Girl, Bone Girl', a biography of Mary Anning.

Science

In Science this half term, we will continue our current topic, 'Brilliant Bodies'. We will learn about the structure of the human skeleton and how the muscles also work alongside the skeleton to support and protect the human body. We will also look at how skeletons differ in different animals.

We will also be learning about different rocks and soils alongside our Geography topic 'Extreme Earth'. We will classify and group together rocks, learn how the Earth is made up of different rocks and fossils and begin to explain how some of the different rocks are formed. We will also look at fossils, what they are and how they are formed in rock.

Maths

In Maths this half term we will be continuing our working learning about 'Fantastic Fractions'. We will be practising finding unit and non-unit fractions of amounts and learning how to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator.

We will also be learning about 'Terrific Time', focusing on telling the time in both analogue and digital to the minute. We will use this knowledge to help us solve problems working out the duration of different events.

We will finish our year learning about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

Geography

In Geography, we will be starting our topic, *Extreme Earth*, focussing on volcanoes and earthquakes. We will learn about how volcanoes are formed and whereabouts in the world they can be found. We will look at historical eruptions and how they have impacted on human life, such as the ancient city of Pompeii.

DT

In Design Technology we will be learning about mechanical systems, focusing on levers and linkages. We will explore and disassemble a range of products to investigate how they work. We will use our knowledge of levers to design and make moving images.

Computing

In Computing this half term, we will be improving our understanding of coding, using the program, Scratch. We will be use algorithms to program code and plan and code our own short projects in Scratch.

Citizenship

In Citizenship, we will be learning about how to manage our feelings in a positive manner as well as learning how to keep our bodies healthy and keeping our diets nutritious and balanced.

Religious Education

In RE this half term, we will be continuing our learning about Hinduism, and considering whether visiting the river Ganges would feel special to a non-Hindu.

Spanish

In Spanish this half term, we will be learning new vocabulary for dates and family members as we continue to develop our conversational skills.

Music

In music this half term, the Aslans will be continuing with their violin lessons with Sheffield Music Hub in preparation for our music performance.

The Borrowers will be learning the song 'Bringing us Together' and appraising popular disco songs. We will be learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song.

PE

In PE this half term, we will be developing our athletic skills and learning techniques for running, jumping and throwing.

We will also be taking dance lessons with Dazzle Dance. We will be learning a dance inspired by the Ancient Greek gods and goddesses!

Home Learning

Home learning will be set on a Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday.

Children will be given a sequence of 6 activities to complete one each week to consolidate and extend the learning within the geography and history unit. Children will have weekly spellings set to learn on Spelling Shed which follow the spelling pattern that will have been taught in school. These will be tested in school on Friday.

Children will also be set as google quiz as their maths homework – children can access this using their Google Classroom account.

We also ask that children read regularly at home – please complete the home school reading record when your child reads at home.

