

# MUCH WOOLTON CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## YEAR 3 LEARNING JOURNEY



# Spring 1

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will start the new year with Branch 3 'Galilee to Jerusalem'. We will explore the visit of the Magi (The Three Wise Men) to Jesus after following the star to Bethlehem. We will hear about how the Adoration of the Magi shows all people are seeking Jesus and he comes for the whole world. We will also read the parables of the Sower and the parable of the Yeast from Matthews Gospel.

### ENGLISH

Our class novel for this half term is the classic 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. Through our novel based approach we will be exploring different genres of writing including an effective character description and a newspaper report. We will also focus on the use of the present perfect form of verbs instead of the simple past. We will also be exploring the Non Fiction Book 'The Egyptians' by Jonny Marx. We will extend our learning by linking our writing experiences to other parts of the curriculum.

### MATHS

We will finish our study of further multiplication and division during Spring 1. We will be focusing on multiplying and dividing by two digit numbers decomposing a number into tens and ones so that the multiplication is easily managed and pupils can see the concept using Base 10 blocks. We will also tackle a range of word problems using our multiplication and division skills.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr Hathaway will be focusing on gymnastics this half term. We will also be doing weekly swimming sessions developing our fundamental life skills. Our first swimming lesson is Thursday 9th January. A further letter regarding this will be sent to parents

### HOMEWORK

Please continue to use Spelling Shed, Doodle Maths, and Reading Plus. Reading Plus is monitored by class teachers daily and the English lead monthly. In addition to this we will continue with spelling test and introduce a weekly times table test.

### HISTORY

In History we will be learning about 'Ancient Egypt'. We will be learning about this ancient civilisation as it was happening during the same time as the Neolithic period in England which we have previously covered. This will provide opportunities to make significant links and comparisons.

### SCIENCE

We will be taking time this half term to consolidate our learning about 'Skeletons and Muscles' and 'Rocks and Fossils'. We will be thinking hard about what we have previously learnt and revisiting key vocabulary and skills.

### MUSIC

We will continue with our Singing Lessons with Mr Watson this half term.

### ART

Our art topic for this half term links to our novel and history topic. We will be learning about and creating Egyptian scrolls. We will be looking at the importance of Egyptian art and use colours and materials appropriately, showing an understanding of effective composition.

### PSHE/RSE

In PSHE this half term we will be thinking about our personal dreams and goals as well as what we hope for our class. In RSE we will be exploring friendships and how friendships can break down, repaired and strengthened. In No Outsiders we will be thinking about conflict resolution and finding solutions to problems.

## notice board

- Our PE days will continue to be Tuesday and Thursday (Thursday is swimming day.)
- Children must have their swimming kit with them every Thursday
- Home reading books must be signed and returned every Friday.
- School trips can be paid for via the Arbor app online.
- Please practice spellings and your 3, 4 & 8 times tables.