

ENGLISH

This half term the children will read a variety of stories and playscripts. They will look at dialogue, stage directions and the layout of text. After using drama to help them develop their story ideas, the children will then write and present their playscripts showing understanding of intonation, tone, volume and action. In addition, each class will create an information book about Year 3, which will be sent to Woodgrange for Year 2 children who will be joining us in September.

HISTORY

The children will study Queen Victoria and her reign, exploring the impact of the Victorian era on Britain. They will be using secondary sources to discover more about the local area in the past; making comparisons between Godwin Junior School in the Victorian times and now. They will also investigate houses in the surrounding area and identify features of these Victorian buildings.

SCIENCE

As part of our topic 'Plants' this term, Year 3 are very excited to be taking part in 'Rocket Science,' a national experiment initiated by the UK Space Agency. Along with other participating schools, our pupils will become space biologists, looking into whether it is possible to grow our own food on other planets. Year 3 will receive 100 seeds, which travelled to the International Space Station. We will upload our findings onto a national database, enabling Godwin Junior School to contribute to a global scientific understanding of growing plants in space!

MATHEMATICS

In maths, the children have been further consolidating their knowledge of addition and subtraction. They will apply this knowledge to adding and subtracting money and learn how to give change in practical contexts. They will continue to tell and write the time from 12-hour and 24-hour clocks. They will also locate right angles in 2-D shapes and, using this awareness, they will start to compare other angles that are larger or smaller than 90°.

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CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

R.E.

This term children are given the opportunity to learn about ways in which art, signs and symbols are used in Christianity to express beliefs from this faith. Children will reflect on important signs and symbols in their lives and how these relate to religious symbols within Christianity.

P.E.

In outdoor PE the children are developing the skills necessary to play cricket, such as batting and bowling with accuracy, fielding and catching techniques. In indoor PE, our topic is aerobics and we will be using the beep test; a 20 metre shuttle run test that will determine and develop a child's cardiovascular fitness levels; one of the most important aspects of fitness.

COMPUTING

The children will learn how to use the software program Scratch to create sequences. They will use logical reasoning to explain how simple algorithms work and also learn how to detect and correct errors in programs.

ART AND DESIGN

Linking to their topic of local history and the Victorian era, the children will compare images of Forest Gate in 1860 with today. Taking their inspiration from Wanstead Flats, they will explore creating their own landscape paintings by mixing colours and developing an awareness of scale and proportion.