

Shincliffe CE Primary School Home / School Links – Summer 1



During this half term the children in Year 3 will be looking at the following areas:

Curriculum Area	Content to be taught in school	Possible Activities to be completed at home
English	<p>In English this half term the children will be reading our class text, "There's a Pharaoh in our bath!" by Jeremy Strong, and using it as inspiration in their own writing. They will be learning how to write in the first person and focusing on the following ways of improving their writing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • using interesting verb and adverb choices • using expanded noun phrases • using dialogue to try and bring the story to life <p>Again, the children will have the opportunity to read aloud their own writing using appropriate intonation.</p> <p>In our reading activities the children will continue to read ahead looking for clues in a text to determine meaning. They will try and explain more clearly their opinion when it is offered.</p> <p>In spelling we will focus on words ending in -ary, words with the short /u/ sound spelt with "o", words with the short /u/ sound spelt with "ou" and word families based on common words, showing how words are related in form and meaning.</p>	<p>Continue to read at home with your children recording the books they have read and commenting on their progress. Support them and discuss with them our class text.</p> <p>Investigate their weekly spelling rule (handed out each Friday) generating words which follow the same rule which they can share in class.</p>
Maths	<p>In Maths this half term the children will be covering the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations. • To read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words. 	<p>Continue to practise the 3, 4 and 8-times tables at home. Complete any written maths homework and additional work on DB Primary to support work completed in class.</p> <p>Look at everyday objects at home identifying their volume, e.g. 1litre of milk, 500ml of orange juice etc.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To solve number problems and practical problems involving these ideas. • To recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables. • To solve problems, including missing number problems, involving multiplication and division, including integer scaling problems and correspondence problems in which n objects are connected to m objects. • To solve problems, including missing number problems, using number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction. • To estimate the answer to a calculation and use inverse operations to check answers. • To solve problems, including missing number problems, using number facts, place value, and more complex addition and subtraction. • To identify right angles, recognise that two right angles make a half-turn, three make three quarters of a turn and four a complete turn; identify whether angles are greater than or less than a right angle. • To identify horizontal, vertical, perpendicular and parallel lines in relation to other lines. • To measure, compare, add and subtract: volume/capacity (l/ml). 	
Science	<p>In our Science topic of Light the pupils will be learning that shadows are formed when light travelling from a source is blocked, that shadows are similar in shape to the objects forming them and that shadows of objects in sunlight change over the course of the day. They will make and record observations of shadows and try to explain these using knowledge about light. The pupils will learn that the sun does</p>	<p>Help your child complete research at home finding out about light and shadows.</p>

	not move, its apparent movement is caused by the spinning of the Earth on its axis. They will also learn that opaque objects/materials do not let light through and transparent objects/materials let a lot of light through.	
History	This half term the pupils will be learning about Ancient Egypt. We will be learning how society was organised in Ancient Egypt, finding out who the Pharaohs were and why they were important and finding out about ancient Egyptian gods and goddesses. The pupils will also find out about the pyramids of ancient Egypt and about the inventions and achievements from this period in history.	Support your child with any work/research they complete on the topic of Ancient Egypt.
Computing	In ICT this half term the pupils will be learning how to use MS Powerpoint to create a Multimedia Presentation. They will learn how to create a slide, duplicate and delete a slide as well as the different types of slides that can be created. They will learn how to use template slides as well as design slides of their own. The pupils will also learn how to animate their slides and use transitioning when producing their own slide show.	Discuss with your child MS Powerpoint if you have any knowledge of how to use its features.
RE	In RE we learning how the teaching and example of Jesus influences the way in which Christians live their lives. We will be focusing on: How Christians make decisions and choices based upon their beliefs. How the teachings of the Bible show Christians the importance of loving each other as they love themselves.	Discuss with your child the Bible and any of the teachings in school which influence the way Christians live their lives.
PE	In our Games sessions we will be completing the Core Task called "Target Baggers." The children will be looking to develop and refine their sending and receiving skills. They will also look at ways of moving more effectively around the games area. When playing against opponents they will be shown how to create space and think more carefully when they are in attacking and defending situations. Finally, they	Discuss the benefits of regular activity to the body and mind.

	will further develop their understanding of the effects of exercise on their body and mind.	
Music	All the learning this half term is focused around one song: Three Little Birds. The material presents an integrated approach to music where games, the interrelated dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc.), singing and playing instruments are all linked.	
Art	The children will be designing their own cartouches linked with the work we are carrying out on Ancient Egypt.	Help your child find out about cartouches and encourage them to experiment with their own designs.
Proposed Educational Visit	Visit to the Oriental Museum in Durham as part of our topic work on Ancient Egypt.	