



Year 3 Autumn 1 Topic Plan Sparks might fly

English – Our **Writing** will be based on magic stories with fantasy settings and explanation texts. We will be using different magic stories to create our own innovated stories. We will also write simple explanations in non-fiction writing.

Grammar & Punctuation – We will be looking at word classes- nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs. We will use our knowledge of these word classes to create simple sentences and to improve our story writing and non-fiction writing. We will check our writing for correct punctuation and begin to use speech marks in story writing.

Reading – We will be using our magic stories plus a range of other texts in English and across the curriculum to develop our reading fluency and understanding of texts looking at vocabulary, inference, predictions, explanations, retrieval and summarising – VIPERS! We will also be sharing the book *The Firework Maker's Daughter* by Philip Pullman. We will be reading individually, in pairs, groups and as a whole class.

Maths – We will be exploring **1. Place Value** (2/3 digit numbers, comparing numbers, ordering numbers, rounding numbers to the nearest 10/100). **2. Mental / written addition and subtraction** (working with 1, 2 and 3 digit numbers) **3. Geometry / measures and shape** (Properties of 2D shape, measuring in m/cm/mm and perimeter). **4. Statistics** (interpreting and presenting data using bar charts and tables).

We will also be focussing on our timetables and learning number facts throughout year 3.

Science

Electricity - In this unit, we will be identifying electrical appliances as well as exploring series circuits. We will be constructing, testing and introducing switches into the circuits. We will also identify the hazards of electricity and learn about Edith Clarke.

Sound - In this unit we will be exploring how sound is created. Also, how sound travels through a medium and how distance can affect sound.

Music – In we will focus on the theme of electricity. We will learn and perform songs connected with electricity and use instruments to reflect different sounds connected with electricity.

P.E – Our PE unit this half term is going to be on basketball and netball. We will learning a variety of passing techniques, catching, dribbling with the ball, shooting and making choices in a match situation.

R.E. – The focus of our RE lessons this term will be God, David and the Psalms.

ICT – We are going to be looking at coding with Technola in our ICT lessons this half term.

Spanish - This will be our first ever Spanish topic! We will be learning the basic phonics and introducing the Spanish language.

Jigsaw - In PSHE this half term our topic will be (Being Me in My World) 'Getting to know each other'.

Art – In art we will be closely observing different types of leaves and then using a wide range of media such as pencils, oil pastels, chalks, watercolours, printing blocks etc to produce leaf pictures and prints. We will also learn about the artist Georgia O'Keeffe and her work on leaves.