

Explore Galore!

Year 3 Autumn 1 2016 Newsletter

English

Year 3's English work this term will be based around the book *Oliver and The Seawigs*. The children will discuss the characters and settings in the story as well as creating their own. We will use this story to write in role, explore points of view within it and write persuasively.

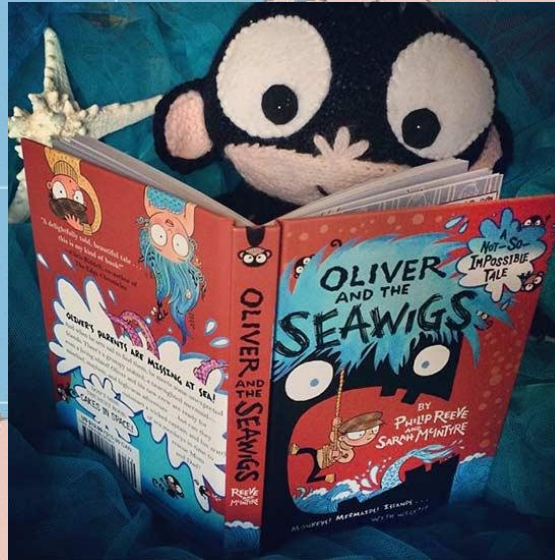
Understanding of the World

Our topic this term will have a Geography focus as children explore island life, volcanoes and classify rocks and soils. We hope that the children will develop their locational knowledge of the world as well as understand the things which make us all different and the same.

Expressive Art & Design

In Art the children will create work inspired by *Oliver and The Seawigs*. We will also be looking at traditional arts and crafts techniques from the South Pacific.

In Music we will learn and sing traditional sea shanties.



Don't Forget...

Homework will be set on a Friday to be returned by the following Thursday.

Please help your child with their learning by listening to them read. If your child reads 3 times a week they will win a golden ticket and reading every night will win them 2.

Please also encourage them to practise their spellings and times tables.

Maths

We will begin the term with a unit on place value and addition and subtraction. We will end the term by looking at bar charts, pictograms and tables.

There will also be an ongoing focus on the rapid recall of times table facts.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development and R.E.

We will be learning about the pilgrimage of Hajj in the Muslim faith.

The children will be discussing rules and responsibilities within society as well as our hopes and dreams for the future.

Physical Development

The children will be developing their own dances inspired by traditional tribal dances from the South Pacific.