



Bentley Heath CE Primary School Half Termly Learning Overview for Spring Term 1



Year 3

English	Maths	Science	Religious Education
<p>In English this half term, the children will be exploring the text, Iron Man by Ted Hughes. They will work towards producing a newspaper report, including features such as paragraphs and conjunctions. Following this, they will begin to create their own narrative based on the story, Aladdin. The children will need to use interesting vocabulary to describe characters, settings and plot.</p>	<p>The children will focus on using the formal written method to help them calculate multiplication and division problems. They will need to use their knowledge of the 3, 4 and 8 times tables and continue to practise these. They will have the opportunity to add and subtract amounts of money and solve word problems to find totals and change. They will also cover interpreting data using bar charts, pictograms and tables.</p>	<p>In Science, the children will be learning about forces and magnets. They will explore the idea that a force is a simple push or pull – something which they can clearly see happening and can do themselves. The children will explore forces in everyday life and learn the names of two different forces: gravity and friction. The children will then learn what a magnet is, how magnets react to each other and which objects and materials are magnetic. They will learn about magnetic fields, investigate whether some magnets are stronger than others and find about uses of magnets in everyday life.</p>	<p>The children will explore the significance of Hanukkah and the reasons why it is so important to Jewish people. They will find out what the word Hanukkah means and describe the miracle that is celebrated during this festival.</p>
Music	History / Geography	Art and Design / Design and Technology	French
<p>The children will continue to learn their stringed instrument with the teachers from Solihull Music Service.</p>	<p>The children will discover the exciting topic of megacities. They will find out where the megacities are located, features of megacities and which continent they would find them. The children will expand their knowledge of map skills.</p>	<p>During the half term the children will be studying the artist, Hundertwasser, who was famous for his paintings of buildings. They will produce sketches and build their skills such as shape and shading to create a final piece of work.</p>	<p>This half term, the children will be completing the topic 'All About Me'. They will learn to understand and follow instructions, name parts of the body, identify colours and say what they are wearing.</p>
Personal, Social & Health Education	Physical Education	Computing	How you can help your child at home

<p>This half term the children will be discussing their dreams and goals. They will think about people who inspire them and discussing ways and strategies they can tackle new learning challenges.</p>	<p><u>Outdoor</u> – Focusing on ordering instructions, movements and skills to produce a performance which includes balances and ball skills. <u>Indoor</u> – Dance – to perform and repeat longer dance sequences, with clear shapes, turns, jumps and movements. Focus on control and precision.</p>	<p>In Computing this half term, the children will use Purple Mash to learn about online safety. They will be able to access and assess a spoof website as well as creating and sharing their own spoof webpage.</p>	<p>Read to your child each day</p> <p>Read a variety of texts to increase their vocabulary bank</p> <p>When learning spellings at home ask your child to put a few of them into sentences (verbally)</p> <p>Encourage your child to use a dictionary and thesaurus to develop their writing</p> <p>Log onto TT Rockstars regularly – Recap 2, 3, 5 and 10 x tables and practise 4, 8 and 6 x tables</p> <p>Practise throwing and catching balls of various sizes</p>
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