

Amazing Antarctica

Year 3 Indigo & Lilac Class
Summer One Term 2026



Key Areas of Learning

This half term, we will be learning about the exciting world of Ancient Egypt. Children will explore where this early civilisation began, how the River Nile supported life, and what made this society so successful. They will become young historians by asking questions about evidence, discover how the Rosetta Stone unlocked ancient writing, and learn about Egyptian gods, beliefs, and mummification. Throughout the topic, they will think about what mattered most to people in Ancient Egypt and how this compares to life today.

As scientists, Year 3 will be learning about plants, focusing on roots and shoots. Children will explore how plants grow, what different parts of a plant do, and why roots and shoots are so important for survival. Through hands-on investigations, they will discover what plants need to stay healthy and observe how water is transported; helping them to understand the amazing ways plants live and grow.

English

Children will be exploring *Lights on Cotton Rock* by David Litchfield, a beautiful story about a young girl called Heather who dreams of going to outer space. When a spaceship lands, her dream seems to come true, but she must decide what truly matters when it's time for the alien to leave. Through this inspiring story about family and dreams, children will continue developing their descriptive writing skills, using rich vocabulary to bring their ideas to life. They will also practice using direct speech by creating their own comic strips and apply their learning to write an engaging newspaper report.

Maths

Children will continue their focus on fractions. Through a range of practical and problem-solving activities, they will also begin to add and subtract fractions and apply their knowledge to real-life contexts. Children will also be learning about mass and capacity. They will explore how to measure and compare different amounts using standard units, and practice adding and subtracting measurements to solve real-life problems. Children will be learning about money. They will practice converting pounds to pence, adding and subtracting amounts, and calculating change.

Computing

In computing, children will learn about Presenting Ideas and Managing Online Information in computing. They will explore how to share their work clearly and creatively using digital tools, and learn how to find, organise, and use online information safely and responsibly.

PSHE

Children will be exploring what makes a community. They will learn about different types of communities, the roles people play, and how everyone can contribute to making their community a positive and supportive place.

PE

Children will be taking part in athletics and bat-and-ball games, including cricket and rounders. They will develop their running, throwing, and jumping skills, and learn how to work as a team while practising striking and fielding.

Art and DT

This half term, Year 3 will explore seasonal fruits and vegetables and cook their own dishes. They will learn where foods grow, taste different flavours, prepare food safely, and discover the benefits of eating seasonally.

RE

Children are going to learn about sacred books in different religions, focusing on Islam and Judaism. Children will compare similarities and differences between the Qur'an and the Torah, helping them understand why sacred texts are valued around the world.

Music

Children will explore how music makes them feel and express it through actions and movement. They will learn to play in time with others, paying attention to dynamics, and create melodies.

Spanish

In Spanish, we will be learning about fruits and vegetables. Children will explore the names, colours, and tastes of different foods, and practice using them in simple conversations and sentences.

Experiences

Ancient Egyptian day!

Whole School Events and Themes

Spring Two

WB 11/05/26- KS2 SATs Week
01/05/26- PTA Quiz Night starting at 5.30pm
21/05/26- School Disco

Summer Clubs Start- WB 20/04- Ends- 03/07