

*The Glebe Primary*  
*Curriculum News*  
*Year 3*  
*Spring 2017*

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This term, the children in Year 3 will be covering all aspects of the National Curriculum including:

**Mathematics**

We will be following the New National Curriculum and working on; number and place value, mental addition and subtraction, written addition and subtraction, problem solving, reasoning and algebra, mental multiplication and division, written multiplication and division, fractions, ratio and proportion, measurement, statistics, Geometry: properties of shapes and position and direction.

**English**

We will be following the New National Curriculum which includes work on:

**Fiction:** Legends, imaginative stories and playscripts

**Non-Fiction:** Persuasion and non-chronological reports

**Poetry:** Odes and insults

We will use texts as models to help develop the children's understanding of structure and features in different writing genres and develop their understanding of the correct punctuation, spelling and grammar.

**Science**

The Year 3 Science topics this term are 'Animals including humans' and 'Rocks'. During the 'Animals including humans' topic the children will learn about the right types and amount of nutrition that animals, including humans, need. They will learn that we cannot make our own food so we get our nutrition from the foods we eat. The children will find out about and identify how humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement. During the topic on rocks, the children will learn about, compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. They will find out about how fossils are formed and recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

**Cross-curricular Work**

The main focus of our cross curricula work this term is Norton. This will consist of a study over time tracing how several aspects of national history are reflected in the locality.

**Design and Technology**

The children will use the knowledge they have learnt in Science to design and make a battery operated light which will be controlled by a homemade switch. Children will decide upon the design criteria for the light by considering who will use it, where it will be used and what for. Finally, children will complete a detailed evaluation of their final product.

**Art and Design**

Our art and design work this term will also be linked to our topic of Norton. We are studying the artist Claes Oldenburg and using his work as inspiration for our own sculpture and thinking about where it could be placed around Norton.

**Personal, Social, Health Education**

Our topics in PSHE this term are 'Going for Goals' and 'Good to Be Me'. We will also be learning more about how to keep ourselves safe online as well as learning about the importance of getting sufficient sleep.

