

# Year 3 Curriculum Overview

## Spring term 2024

### Class 3D, 3N & 3G



We really value the help that you can give your child with their learning.  
These are some of the things you can do:

- Take them to the library regularly so they have a wider choice of books to read and look out for books about this term's topic, especially books on **Rivers**. Here is the address of our local library, Colindale Library, 7 Bristol Ave, London NW9 4BR
- Encourage your child to look at the home learning page of the school website to complete some activities during the term Year 3 Home Learning Page - Colindale Primary School. Your child can bring their completed work or photos of their work into class so it can be displayed.
- Help your child to practise all their times tables regularly, particularly the **3, 4 and 8 times tables**.
- Help your child to learn spellings given to them, they go out each week, they are then tested the following week.
- Encourage your child to read regularly at home every day for 15 – 20 minutes.
- The weather is now getting colder, please remember children should be wearing a coat for school and when they are outside playing. Please ensure the coats are named.

## The curriculum

### English

**Narrative** – Children will be reading illustrated version of the story *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* by C.S Lewis. They will be focusing on including dialogue that is correctly punctuated using inverted commas, in their own versions of the story.

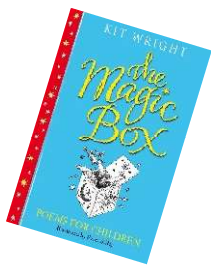


**Poems on a theme** – Children will be writing and performing a range of poems on our topic- *Our World* - including 'The Magic Box', by Kit Wright.

**Non-Fiction writing** - This will be linked to their science work on the human skeleton and muscles and their geography learning about Rivers. They will write non-chronological reports and a persuasive advert.

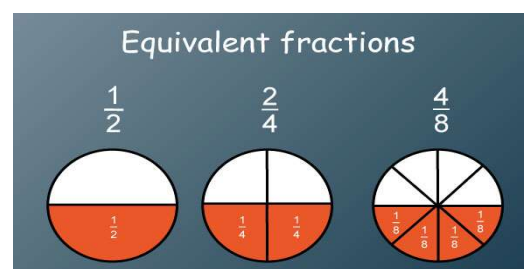
We will continue to focus throughout the term on constructing complex sentences using the correct grammar and punctuation, as well as continuing to enhance children's understanding of new vocabulary.

Children will be reading in school daily and also will be practising their joined handwriting regularly, aiming to achieve a clear and consistent style.



**In maths the children will be:**

- Using different strategies to divide and multiply.
- Consolidating place value
- Working with fractions, equivalent fractions, non-unit fractions, and adding and subtracting fractions.
- Measuring length and perimeter.
- Learning about mass and capacity
- Continuing to learn the times tables by heart and derive related division facts.



**Topic-Our World**

**In History, Geography, Art and Design Technology the children will be learning about:**

- The water cycle and the importance of water
- The River Thames and the structure of a river.
- How Claude Grahame White changed our local area of Colindale.
- Old and new maps of Colindale and comparing them.
- The art work of Faith Ringgold and creating large scale pieces of art using acrylic paint.
- How to prepare nutritious food (vegetable lasagne) in Design Technology.



**In science the children will be:**

- Investigating light and shadow.
- Looking at the human skeleton and naming bones in the body.
- Investigating human muscles and their functions.



**In RE and PSHE the children will be:**

- Describing the key aspects of religions, focusing on Sikhism and Hinduism.
- Learning about the importance of sacred texts and how they impact their followers'.
- Discussing how beliefs, religious or not, impact behaviour and choices.
- Learning about self-respect and peer pressure.
- Looking at healthy lifestyles- having a balanced diet, being healthy - mentally, emotionally, and physically.



**In PE lessons will be** focused on games including basketball.

**In Spanish the children will be**

- Consolidating numbers to 20.
- Consolidating the names of colours.
- Learning names of shapes.
- Learning the names of different foods.
- Describing how they feel.



**In Music** the children will be starting instrumental lessons where they will be taught to play the recorder.

## **Other information:**

**PE & Swimming:**

Each class will continue to have 1 session of PE and 1 session of swimming per week:

3D- Swimming on Wednesday and PE on Friday

3N- PE on Monday and Swimming on Tuesday

3G- PE on Friday and Swimming on Tuesday

Please remember children can wear their PE kits to school on their PE days and remain in their kit that day.

**Class assemblies are:**

3D- 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024

3N- 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024

3G- 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

We are looking forward to having a productive and enjoyable term with you and your child. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year Three team:

Miss Nuttall, Mrs Dray, Mr Giacone and Mr Wild (Assistant Head, Phase Leader Years 3-4)