



Ramsgate Arts Primary School

Year 3 Curriculum – Term 5



Morning Routines

All Year 3 children will be welcomed from 8.15 am each day at the classroom doors. They will unpack their bags and then find their seat. Each morning, the interactive whiteboard will outline the timetable for the day and also some Early Morning Work linked to their learning. This could be an English, Maths or Topic based activity. The children are expected to prepare themselves for the day by using the toilet before the register and also ensuring that their water bottle is filled up.

English

In Term 5, Year 3 will be reading an amazing and thought-provoking story by Quentin Blake: 'The Green Ship'. As always, our writing will be linked to our core text. Initially, we will revisit the essential skills needed to write an engaging character description before creating persuasive advertisements for the Green Ship and planning and creating our first ever comic strips complete with captions, speech bubbles, thought bubbles and onomatopoeia! We will finish the term exploring poetry in the form of kennings. We shall continue to learn and revise Year 3 SPAG objectives, like the use of direct speech, main and subordinate clauses and how to develop paragraphs and will keep practising our dictionary and thesaurus skills too. As always, we will be using Drama and Art in the classroom to develop and support our writing.

Reading

It is our expectation at RAPS that children read for at least 10 minutes every night and that reading is logged inside their reading record. Children can read through Bug Club, a banded book or a free choice book. All teacher communication will be in their record which needs to be in daily so it can be written in and checked. Children are also heard reading throughout the week in class with an adult.

Maths

We teach Maths daily and all sessions begin with a rapid recap of previous learning. Every lesson also includes allocated time for mental maths. In Term 5, we will continue to explore fractions by finding fractions of amounts, comparing, ordering, adding and subtracting with fractions before learning about the different ways to read time. Most areas of Maths, and not only multiplication and division, depend on good times table knowledge so please do rehearse 2x, 5x, 10, 3x, 4x and 8x as much as possible at home with your child. Friday multiplication challenges will continue!

RAPS Curriculum

This term, we have a Science-based topic – 'Plants'. Our first area of learning will be to plan and conduct an experiment to assess what can affect how well a plant grows. We will then learn about and analyse the different parts of a plant and explore their functions. Germination, seed dispersal and pollination will also be explored in this unit. Check out our blog to see the exciting learning we are doing in our afternoons!

PE

Team O'Flaherty will have PE and Dance every Tuesday and Thursday. Please ensure your child comes into school wearing their full kit and suitable footwear on these days.

General

Sipping water throughout the day aids concentration and learning. Please provide your child with a named water bottle to drink from throughout the day. It is vital that pupils arrive at school on time and that absence is kept to a minimum. Frequent lateness and absences can have a huge negative impact on a child's learning so please try to have your child in school by 8.30 am every day.

Uniform

Our school uniform exists both for health and safety reasons and to develop a sense of pride and responsibility in being a member of the RAPS community. The uniform policy includes the expectation that all children will wear black school shoes (trainers are not acceptable footwear), that long hair should be tied back at all times and that with the exception of a watch and a pair of small stud earrings, NO jewellery may be worn by children. We also ask you to remember that children should not be wearing make-up or nail varnish to school and that hair styles should not be extreme – this includes unnatural hair colours. The school's uniform policy is listed online. Please ensure your child is dressed according to this policy and that all items of clothing are clearly named.

Home Learning and Blogs.

At least two 'Love to Learn' tasks will be sent home each term. These will be explained to the children and info will be uploaded onto the blog as well. Weekly spelling will be sent weekly via the blog too. Times tables should be practised at home and children are tested every Friday. Blog posts will keep you up to date with our classroom learning.

Arts Curriculum

Through our Arts curriculum, the children will focus on Music, Dance, Drama and Art. These subjects will be taught across the week in the afternoons.