

Try these websites for games and activities at home:

- <http://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/visiting/floorplans/level-2/>
- <http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/learning/weather-for-kids>
- <http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/mental-maths>
- <https://www.literacyshed.com/the-poetry-shed.html>
- <http://www.frogeducation.com/home-page>

Researching about Sun, Sea and Ski

This half term our research project is based on our topic – **Sun, Sea and Ski**. The purpose of the project is to research and extend our knowledge in greater detail.

The children will use one of the following two options for their research projects. Either a poster or diorama.

Poster- The poster should be based on a choice of 1 European country.

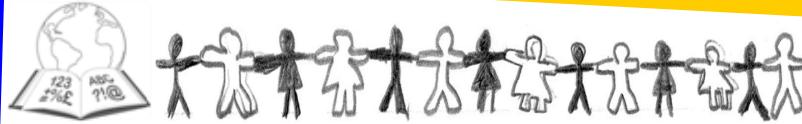
- Include facts about the weather in that country during different times of the year.
- What children have found about this country through research.
- Why tourists would like to visit this country.

A weather diorama- Children will produce a weather diorama which will display the weather forecast of a chosen European country of their choice. **Please see some examples below.**

- To represent an extreme weather condition (tornado, thunder and lightening, hurricane etc.)
- Use a variety of materials.
- have a label to explain what your diorama is about.

e-safety

e-Safety is important at Old Palace Primary. You can keep up to date with e-Safety news by looking at our school



Year 3 Newsletter Summer 2

Welcome to back after half term from the whole team:

Mrs Arnel—Assistant Head

Miss Davies- 3D class teacher Mrs Hepworth- 3H class teacher

Jack—fitness Miss McAndrew—PPA/cover

Support Staff: Shapla A, Shipa, Sherin, Michelle and Tay

Welcome back to the Summer 2 term in Year 3. Below are some notes and reminders so that this year runs as smoothly as possible. **Please take time to read the newsletter with your child and keep it in a safe place.** If you have any questions or require any help or support, please speak to any of the team before school from 8.55am.

Uniforms

Please check that your child wears the correct school uniform:

- School shoes (not trainers or fashion boots)
- Plain sandals **are allowed** in warm weather, but remember to wear **ankle socks**.

Weather

Remember when it gets hot please wear a sun hat or a sports cap and bring a bottle of water every day!

PE kits and swimming

PE will be on **Thursday for 3H and Monday** and **Thursday for 3D**. 3H will be going swimming every **Monday**. PE kits should be in school every day the child is in (unless it is a swimming day).

Parent/Carer Helpers on Trips

Year 3 have some trips this half term. If you would like to attend please speak to Forida or Shelley.

Important Dates:

Eid Festival Assembly— **Wednesday 13th June**

INSET DAY School closure— **Friday 15th June**

Hyde Park— **3D 19th June 3H 21st June**

Scout Adventures Day— **Monday 25th June**

Sports Week—**week beginning 9th July**

Parents Evening— **10th and 11th July**

Summer Fete— **Wednesday 18th July**



These are the topics we will be learning this half term:

English:

Newspaper Reports— This unit will introduce the children to writing in the style of a newspaper report. They will develop their knowledge of newspaper language and conventions, including the use of direct speech. The unit will be linked to newspaper reports about weather, to support the children's topic work. The children will develop their ability to write in the style of a newspaper report, either composing a news report related to the weather or to recount events in a traditional tale. **Useful Texts/links:** First Newspaper (and <http://www.firstnews.co.uk>) Weather news stories from: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/> <http://metro.co.uk/>

Persuasion— This unit will introduce the children to persuasive language used on packaging and print advertisements. It will build on the use of descriptive language explored during the weather poems unit and introduce the children to a range of persuasive devices. The types of packaging and adverts studied can be linked with the half term topic to reinforce learning about weather and the countries/ geography of Europe. The children will apply the knowledge they have gained about a country in Europe to create a poster advert persuading someone to take a holiday there. **Useful Texts:** Newspaper/ holiday adverts.

Weather Poems— The children will read a range of poems on the theme of weather and learn about the devices they use to create images. They will begin by exploring the use of onomatopoeic words, before moving on to look at the use of adjectives and powerful verbs. They will end by considering figurative language, by starting to identify the use of metaphor and personification in poetry. The children will develop their understanding of how poets use words to help them to create images and will have an opportunity to write poems that describe the weather using onomatopoeia, adjectives and powerful verbs. **Useful Poems:** 'The Sounds in the Evening', 'The Wind' by Andrew Collett, Jack Frost.

Maths:

Measure— Children will be learning about different units of measure. They will be using grams and kilograms to measure the weight of different objects and measuring the capacity of various containers using litres and millilitres. They will learn to compare the mass of different objects and the capacity of different containers. They will add and subtract mass and capacities and will solve a range of problems involving these types of measurement.

Geometry— Children will learn to recognise and compare angles in shapes. They will learn to accurately identify, measure and draw horizontal and vertical lines. They will also make, recognise and describe 2D and 3D shapes.

Topic Sun, Sea and Ski

The children will begin by discussing different types of holidays and destinations. They will look at the impact of tourism and climate zones across the world. Year 3 will learn about mountains and identify them on a world map before moving on to locating major European countries and identifying their capital and the flag. Year 3 will look at a variety of extreme weather conditions, including, hurricanes, tornados and identify the difference between the two. They will develop a basic understanding of weather systems and how weather varies with the seasons in the UK and around the world. Finally, they will discuss the job of a meteorologist and understand what a weather station is.

Computing: Digital Media

Year 3 will be having weekly computing sessions this half term. They will explore the effect of music and sound in animations and videos. They will understand how they can compose music using icons and will independently create and record an advert about a holiday destination, linked to their topic 'Sun, Sea and Ski.'

PSHE: Healthy Relationships

This half term the children will be looking at healthy relationships. They will discuss what makes a good friend, how to be a good friend, how actions affect others and acceptable and unacceptable physical behavior.

RE: How and Why do Muslims and Jews Pray?

The children will continue to discuss prayer and how and why people pray in different religions. They will look closely at how Jewish and Muslim people pray.

P.E: Athletics

This half term, year 3 will be doing athletics. They will begin by learning different throwing techniques and then demonstrating them. They will run fast over short distances and show an awareness of others. Year 3 will develop and maintain a good, running technique to help them spring over obstacles.

Art: Sculpture

In this unit, the children will be researching, discussing and planning a final outcome using casting materials to create a sculpture.