

Year 3 Learning Experience Overview

19th September – 21st October 2016

English

In English we will be looking at poetry, focusing on improving our use of adjectives, adverbs and verbs. We will also be exploring different poetic techniques such as alliteration, similes, metaphors and onomatopoeia. We will be using these to create imagery within our poems. In addition to this, we will develop our non-fiction writing by creating information posters about the season.

Design and Technology

In DT we will be making bird feeders using milk bottles and yoghurt pots. We will be practicing how to follow instructions, as well as our cutting skills. We will also be baking apple crumble and carrying out some product research by tasting different types of apples and evaluating these. The children will be given the option to choose an ingredient they would like to add to their apple crumbles, which they will cook in school.

Homework

For homework this half term, we would like the children to produce a piece of work based around Autumn.

This could be:

- A sketch or painting of the environment around you.
- A collage of Autumn leaves/objects.
- A model/3D representation of Autumn.
- A piece of non-fiction/fiction writing such as a fact sheet, a story or a poem.

There is no pressure to produce an amazing 'masterpiece', we want to see what they can create with only a little adult help. Please could homework be brought into school by **Monday 10th October**.

In order to make our bird feeders, please could you also send your child with an empty yoghurt pot and a 1 litre plastic milk bottle carton by **Monday 26th September**.

Aim

Our aim for this learning experience is to explore and investigate seasonal changes in our local environment. We will use this to help inspire the children with their poetry and art work.



Autumn
Daze



Science

In Science we are exploring our own surroundings, taking note of the physical changes and different Autumn animals and their behaviour. We will be looking at the life cycle of trees and how they are affected by the seasons, investigating the leaves and why these change colour. We will also be identifying different types of berries and which trees these belong to.

Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on the following areas: Number, Place Value and money, Addition and Subtraction, Shape and symmetry, multiplication and division. We will also be practicing mental calculation strategies, which will be ongoing throughout the year.

Art

In art we will be using Autumn leaves and other objects to create a variety of art and collage masterpieces. We will be exploring the use of colour mixing to create a selection of colours and textures of the season. The children will also practise their sketching skills through sketching different leaves and create leaf rubbings using wax crayons.

Computing

In computing we will be learning about the importance of Online Safety. We will also be creating an Autumn picture background and practising our word processing skills to type Autumn poems and poetic words to describe this season.

PE

In PE we will be playing a variety of co-operative team games and group activities.

