

Beneath the shadows



This term, Year 3 will explore the big question:

Is segregation ever a good thing?

Our **History** will be a key focus of our topic for the second half of the term where we will immerse ourselves into the world of The Titanic. We will use different sources of evidence to explore the layout of the titanic and the experience different classes of passengers would have had. We spend time examining the evidence of why the Titanic sunk and hearing some eye witness accounts.

For **Maths** this half term we start by completing a unit on properties of shape.

We will begin by looking at turns and linking these to angles, in particular right angles. We will explore horizontal, vertical, parallel and perpendicular lines and use this vocabulary to help describe shapes. We will then move onto a unit about length and perimeter.

PE Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in PE kit every Thursday. This term we will be completing athletics track and field activities.

Through our **Computing** unit children will have the opportunity to write a story board, use an iPad to take photos and add transitions between shots to create a book trailer.

In **RE** we will be exploring the concept of protection, by linking it to our own experiences before discovering how Hindus celebrate protection in Raksha Bandhan.

Children will continue to take part in 'Listen to Me' **Music** lessons every week. This term we are continuing ukulele.

Our **English** will involve writing a poem based on the book The Night Box by Louise Greig. We will look at the shape of the poem in our sentence stacking lessons and use our knowledge of the dark to inspire us. The Secret of Black Rock by Joe Todd-Stanton will be the focus for our story writing in our second unit of the half term.

In Art we will use a paper and paste method to create our own artistic life rings. Children will then have the opportunity to work on shading techniques to produce their own picture of the titanic.

Our **Science** will be a key focus for the first half of the term. We will explore light and think about sun safety. We will investigate reflective surfaces and how mirrors work before discovering how shadows are formed.

This term the children will take part in **French** lessons. Our topic will be Je Peux. The children will begin to recognise some common French verbs and use them with Je peux..... (I can...)