

## **Park School Parents' Curriculum Forecast - Michaelmas Term 2010 - Year 3**

### **Please read this in conjunction with the Parents' Handbook**

In Year 3 **Literacy** we will be studying, discussing and writing stories with familiar setting, reports, myths and legends and instructions. We will also be doing 'Big Writing'. The class reader for 3AD is "The Dancing Bear" while 3JG will read "Treasure Island".

Formal English exercises in comprehension, punctuation, spelling, grammar and handwriting will also play an important part, as will creative and information writing.

The children will also carry out a variety of activities for Book Week.

This term in **Numeracy** we will be working on mental arithmetic strategies and times tables up to 12. The children will learn more about place values and number sequences addition, subtraction, shapes, symmetry, multiplication, division, halving and doubling. They will also learn about length, measures and time. The children will also have a weekly Mathematics session.

Our **Science** topics this term include *Helping plants to grow well* and *Teeth and eating*.

**Geography** will also be linked to the weather topic as we look at seasonal variations around the world. The children will also study the location of news items around the world and mapwork.

Our **History** topic this term is Ancient Egypt, looking at the importance of the River Nile, everyday life, pyramids, religion and hieroglyphics.

**Art and Craft** will continue the Egyptian theme by investigating Egyptian patterns. We will design and print our own Egyptian style patterns.

In **Technology** we will design and make our own packaging for a Christmas gift and make a sarcophagus from paper.

We shall be studying signs and symbols in **Religious Education** as well as looking at the importance of Diwali to Hindus.

Class discussions will help us deal with any **Personal and Social** matters, for example - feeling different, happiness and sadness. We will be following the Rainbow SEAL scheme of lessons.

In **Music** the children will explore the theme of *Animal Magic*, learning how to make descriptive sounds. Some children may take part in small musical ensembles.

The French curriculum is under review.

**Information and Communication Technology** skills will be extended as the children combine text and graphics and learn to manipulate sound. They will also use emails to communicate with children in other countries..

**Physical Education** will involve the children practising ball skills and working in teams. Games will include football, tag rugby, hockey and netball. They will also improve their gymnastic skills working on the floor and small apparatus.

If you have any questions about this document or other matters please see Mrs Dennis or Mr Gibbons.