



September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back Year 3 and 4, I am delighted to be joining you in Class 3 and I'm very excited to get started! I hope you all had an enjoyable and restful summer holiday.

Please find attached an overview of the main topics and subjects we will be covering in Year 3 and 4 this Autumn as well as a copy of your child's timetable.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of a few of the expectations that we have at Malborough in Year 3 and 4:

- **Reading Records-** Your child must have their reading records in school every day. Please sign their reading records any time you have read with them and sign their reading records weekly.
- **Please ensure your child has a coat in school.**
- **PE lessons are on a Tuesday afternoon. The kit needed is navy blue shorts, a red t-shirt, and trainers. All children need their PE kit in school every day. When the weather becomes cold, children will need to wear dark tracksuits and a dark jumper.**
- **Homework is given out on a Thursday and will be due the following Friday unless stated otherwise.**
- **Do let us know if there are any problems regarding the homework, preferably before the day the homework is due.**
- **Spellings will be tested on Fridays.**
- **Forest School for Year 3 will be in the first half term of spring and Year 4 forest school will be in the second half of spring.**
- **Year 4 will begin daily Numbersense Timestable Fluency sessions this year, please do ask them about their 'fact of the week' and practise with them at home. Year 3 will begin this in the Spring term.**

Key dates and events appear on our weekly newsletter.

We are always pleased to welcome you into school if you have concerns about your child's educational or social development or if you would like to volunteer your talents! Feel free to send messages via your child's Reading Record.

As always, many thanks for your continued support.

**Miss Emily Roberts
Year 3 and 4 Teacher**

Curriculum Overview 2023-24
Year 3 and 4

*The roots to grow, the wings to fly.
 All within the love of God.*

<p align="center">English</p> <p><u>Autumn 1: Fiction- Jack and The Dreamsack</u></p> <p>In this topic children will learn how to write their own voyage and return story based on the wonderfully visual text Jack and the Dreamsack. They will learn how to use adverbials of time and place to create cohesion and add detail and Use a variety of expanding noun phrases.</p> <p><u>Autumn 2: Non-Fiction- Grow Your Own Lettuce</u></p> <p>In this sequence children will learn how to write a set of instructions with a detailed introduction and use prepositional phrases to add detail along with adverbials to add a sense of detail.</p>	<p align="center">Maths</p> <p><u>Year 3 and 4: Numbers to 10,000</u></p> <p>Students will learn how to represent, order, round, compare and partition numbers up to 10,000. They will learn how to add and subtract numbers with and without exchange, how to make connections and estimate answers. The children will also learn their 2, 3, 4 and 8 times tables (Year 3), and their 3, 6, 9, 11 and 12 times tables (Year 4) as well as learning to multiply and divide these numbers. Support of learning times tables at home will be beneficial to your child.</p> <p><u>Year 4- Measurement- Perimeter</u></p> <p>Children will learn about area, what it is, and how we can make this using squares and manipulatives. They will also learn how to compare area.</p>	<p align="center">Science</p> <p><u>Autumn 1: Animals Including Humans</u></p> <p>Children will learn how animals, including humans, need the right types and amounts of nutrition. They will also learn how humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support protection and movement.</p> <p><u>Autumn 2: States of matter.</u></p> <p>In this unit children will learn how rocks can be grouped together on the basis of their appearance and simple physical processes. We will also explore how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock.</p>
<p align="center">Guided Reading</p> <p>Throughout both terms, the children will have 5 daily sessions focusing on reading, they will focus on vocabulary, inference, predictions, explaining, retrieving, summarising and sequencing from stories read to them.</p> <p>The texts we will be looking at will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Hodgeheg ● Fantastic Mr Fox ● Oliver and the Seawigs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Broken Bones ● The Bare Necessities (Jungle Book) 	<p align="center">R.E.</p> <p><u>Autumn 1: What is the 'Trinity' and why is it important for Christians?</u></p> <p>During the Autumn term we will be learning about the difference between a 'Gospel', which tells the story of the life and teaching of Jesus, and a letter. We will also explore how Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship (in baptism and prayer, for example) and in the way they live. Our learning will be supported with stories from the Bible.</p> <p><u>Autumn 2: What do Hindus believe God is like?</u></p> <p>Children will learn about Hindu deities and say how they help Hindus describe God. During this term we will also have a special Diwali workshop during which children will have the opportunity to be creative and find out how Hindus celebrate this special festival.</p>	<p align="center">PSHE</p> <p><u>Autumn 1: Relationships</u></p> <p>Children will learn about how people make friends and what makes a good friendship. They will build on this by finding out how to recognise when they or someone else feels lonely and what to do. We will also discuss how people may feel if they experience hurtful behaviour or bullying and the importance of not keeping adults' secrets (only happy surprises that others will find out about eventually). This unit explores themes to help children begin to identify safe, happy relationships with others.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">P.E.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 1: Tag Rugby</u></p> <p>Children will learn the fundamental skills of tag rugby through their weekly sessions with Achieve for All and additional skills sessions. They will learn how to accurately throw and catch a ball, how to pass, how to use the space effectively, how to score a try and the basic rules of the game.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 2: Gymnastics</u></p> <p>In this sport, the children will look at knowing how to perform gymnastics shapes, balances, partner balances, rolls, jumps and turns and choreograph and perform a sequence.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">History</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn- The Stone Age</u></p> <p>Our first topic of the term is the Stone Age and we will find out all about how humans moved from being hunter-gatherers to farmers. Children will continue to be taught the key skills of historical enquiry by exploring different sources of evidence and asking meaningful questions about the past.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Geography</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn- Climate</u></p> <p>The children will learn that there is a pattern to weather and seasons in the UK and other environments. They will also learn that climate patterns are different in different regions of the world and be able to describe different regions from the Poles to the Equator.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">.Art and Design Technology</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 1 Art: Storytelling through drawing.</u></p> <p>This topic will explore how artists use charcoal to create tone and texture in drawings.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 2 DT: Food</u></p> <p>Children will look at what healthy food is and design a meal that is healthy. The children will then plan a recipe and create their healthy food.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Music</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 1: R&B</u></p> <p>In this topic children will learn some key features of R and B music and know an R and B song from memory. We will also be preparing during this term for our Harvest Festival celebration.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 2: Glockenspiel</u></p> <p>This unit of work introduces the children to learning about the language of music through playing the glockenspiel. The learning is focused around exploring and developing playing skills through the glockenspiel.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Computing</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 1: Computing Systems and Networks</u></p> <p>Children will develop their understanding of digital devices, with an initial focus on inputs, processes, and outputs. They will also compare digital and non-digital devices.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 2: Creating media and animation</u></p> <p>Children will use a range of techniques to create a stop-frame animation using tablets. Next, they will apply those skills to create a story-based animation. This unit will conclude with children adding other types of media to their animation, such as music and text.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">French</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 1: J'apprend le Français</u></p> <p>In this unit Year 3s will be introduced to learning French including how to introduce themselves alongside counting and key facts about France. Year 4s will cement their knowledge from last year.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Autumn 2: Les animaux</u></p> <p>In this unit children will learn how to describe a range of animals in French and expand their phonics and vocabulary.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Key Dates:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Harvest Festival at Church - 20.09.22 Half term – 20.10.23 – 27.10.23 Christmas Fayre - 06.12.23 Nativity - 12.12.22 Whole school panto trip (Torquay) – 13.12.23 Christmas choir performance and visit from Santa -13.12.23 Christingle in church – 14.12.23 End of term – 15.12.23</p>	

