

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a lovely break, and I am very pleased to welcome you back. This will be an exciting term for us all and I am delighted to teach many areas of learning that will inspire and motivate your child. Class 3 will focus on the intriguing theme of **'Explore The Glorious Globe'**. They will learn about this topic by studying different climate zones around the world and learning through the specific National Curriculum (NC) skills that needed to be mastered by the children.

Below is an outline of what the children will be learning about:

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL UNDERSTANDING	In Science we will be comparing how things move on different surfaces. We will be observing how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others. We will also be undertaking science experiments to develop our observational and recording skills.
ICT	Your child will be learning about online safety. This will include looking and learning about spoof websites, also they will be improving touch typing skills.
HISTORICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL UNDERSTANDING	In Geography, we will be learning about different climate zones around the world and will try to understand climate depends primarily on the latitude of a particular place in relation to the equator and the poles. The children will be locating different climate zones and explore the differences around the globe.
UNDERSTANDING THE ARTS and DT	In Art, the children will learn how to design, make and improve a product using textiles and different materials. In DT we will be stitching materials and selecting appropriate joining techniques.
UNDERSTANDING PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH AND WELLBEING	In PSHE the children will try to understand that differences and conflicts sometimes happen amongst family members. Also, we will be learning to reflect on our own behaviours and how this has an impact on others.
RE/CHRISTIAN VALUE	We will be learning about incarnation and Judaism. Our Christian value for this half term is compassion.

Every child will experience a variety of different ways of learning including reading, writing, mathematics, problem solving, illustrating, working independently and working collaboratively and their progress towards the NC Skills will be continually assessed again in a variety of ways. Teaching it this way, will not only help the children see the relevance of the learning, actively enjoy it but also inspire them achieve higher standards in their work. If anyone has related skills, resources, experience and knowledge they are willing to share please let me know as soon as possible, as the more information and support that your child has, the more successful their learning will be.

Homework: As you know here at Orsett we always encourage our children to continue their learning outside of school. We do expect that all children will read daily and will learn the relevant spelling and time tables for the year group. We also will be working with the children over the next week to agree their Extended Homework expectations and these will be added to the Marvellous Me and TEAMS by **10th November**, so that you are aware of the areas that your child will be working towards at home and also the agreed deadlines.

Other Info: Our PE sessions will be on **Wednesday and Thursday**, please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for outside sessions and arrive to school wearing correct PE uniform. **If they wear trainers for PE they must be non-marking and black. At this current time please ensure your child is wearing their PE kit on these days, with a tracksuit to keep them warm during the colder weather.**

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Yours faithfully,

Mrs Antanaitiene
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