



## Year 3 & 4 Curriculum Outline – Spring 2018

### Barnham School of Witchcraft and Wizardry



## Literacy

This term our Reading and Writing will be inspired by the book 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's stone.' We will be reading this book alongside the children and finding different ways to respond to what we have read. This will include writing activities such as:

- Character description
- Letter writing
- Writing adventure stories
- Instructional writing
- Report writing
- Summarising and re-telling

Our aim is to move with the interest of the children and tailor what we teach and the activities we introduce to the areas and themes of the story which grasp their imagination.



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A brand new topic for us here at Barnham and one which we hope will capture the imagination of our children as we take them on a magical learning journey!

## Mathematics

Developing fluency in basic skills, mathematical reasoning and 'number sense', applying these skills through investigation and problem solving:

Number and Place Value  
 Addition and Subtraction  
 Multiplication and Division  
 Fractions (including Decimals)  
 Measurement  
 Properties of Shape  
 Position and Direction  
 Statistics

Cross-curricular opportunities to explore mathematical concepts and ideas will encourage children to make links with maths and the world around them.

They will be taught to explain their mathematical thinking helping them to deepen their understanding of concepts, look for links and tackle challenging problems.

## Physical Development

This term our children will learn the skills and rules to play Handball. They will then be adapting the skills they have learnt to play a non-flying version of Quidditch later in the term!



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### Understanding the Muggle World

**Care of Non-magical creatures (Science):** Learning all about why animals (including muggles) need a balanced diet to stay healthy and where they can get their nutrition from.

**Muggle technology (Computing):** Developing a greater understanding of the internet and using it safely.

**Muggle Languages (German):** Learning how to introduce and describe our families.

**Muggle Studies (PSHCE):** Continue to explore the concept of new beginnings with a focus on developing new relationships and friendships.

### Expressive arts & design

This term our children will:

- ➔ **Music:** This term, the children have an exciting musical opportunity. They will be learning to play the clarinet! The lessons will be provided through a 10 week programme with a music specialist from the 'West Sussex Music:1 Term to Learn' scheme.

### Homework

This term the children will be receiving three pieces of homework a week to run alongside their reading. They will be given a set of spellings to develop their confidence with, a times table grid to practise and then finally a piece of maths homework linked to the objectives being learnt in class that week.



### Trips, experiences and adventure



Where possible throughout this topic we plan to maintain the interest and enthusiasm of the children through organising a range of experiences and adventures.

We want this topic to be one which they will always remember.

For this reason, if you have any contacts or ideas which could help inspire our children or add a little extra something to this topic then please do not hesitate to speak to any member of the team.

Thank you and watch this space...