

Year 3 – Emerald, Sapphire and Ruby

Year 3 have really settled into the new term and have been so busy these past few weeks.

In English, we have been doing lots of persuasive writing, persuading the reader to come and visit Gloucester! We've been using lots of persuasive techniques such as alliteration, emotive language, rhetorical questions and lots of exclamation marks. We started with a text about India, and it inspired us and gave us lots of ideas to use in our own work.

In Maths, we've been focusing on place value, ensuring that we can point out hundreds, tens and one in a number. We have also been using lots of comparative language such as greater than, less than, and the symbols $<$, $>$, $=$. We have really enjoyed working on whiteboards to understand and revise place value skills, whilst our work in our books allows us to consolidate and apply our learning.

In Science this term our topic is Plants. We have been looking at the different parts of plants and what they need to grow. We have become super scientists and used a variety of key words such as photosynthesis, carbon dioxide, pollination, sunlight and much more. We are already really excited to learn how plants transport water with our upcoming experiment!

In Geography, we have been learning how to use an Atlas to find Pakistan and the United Kingdom. We discussed why we used an Atlas and how they can help us. If we wanted to find Gloucester, we would have to search the Index first under 'G' to locate Gloucester. This would then give us the page number to find our location. In the coming weeks, we will be looking at Biomes and the various climates from different parts of the world.

In History, we have been focussing on Kasur, Pakistan and comparing their culture to ours here in Gloucester. We have looked at the different types of food, clothing, transport and celebrations! We are now looking forward to our hands on experience when we visit a Mosque in the upcoming months.

We have also been learning lots of Spanish! We began learning numbers and we have now been learning how to ask 'How are you?' and have really enjoyed answering our peers using only Spanish! We've been learning through lots of songs, flashcards and games such as bingo and snap.



What we are learning next

In English we will be moving onto a new unit of work, identifying the features of a story and writing our own.

In Maths we are moving on to addition and subtraction, using the column method when working out our answers.