#### Literacy

Everything that we cover in literacy this half term will link with our topic of Tudors. The children will spend time learning about Tudor punishments which will culminate in the children writing a diary extract of a Tudor criminal. The children will also focus on play scripts, and begin to understand the features of this text type.

The children will also be editing and writing their own diary extracts from the point of view of a Tudor Sailor. Following this, they will be looking at dialogue aboard a Tudor Ship, which will lead into investigating different play scripts and performing our own Tudor Performance.

### **PSHCE**

There will be 3 major strands to our PSHCE coverage this half term. These are; learning to respect differences in others, understanding each other and challenging stereotypes. Children will develop the skills to develop and maintain a positive and healthy relationship with their peers and other people.

# Year 3

# The Tudors!



#### Useful websites

Various interactive Tudor facts and videos can be found at these websites:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/deary\_ga <u>llery\_01.shtml</u> http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/watch/tudor-bake-<u>off</u>

#### Numeracy

The children will continue to develop their understanding of place value and partition three digit numbers into multiples of 100, 10 and 1. They will derive and recall all addition and subtraction facts for each number to 20 and look at pairs of numbers which total 100. Children will be encouraged to add and subtract mentally combinations of one and two digit numbers. Children will be taught to recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to  $\times$  12. Following this, they will begin to solve multiplication problems. Children will begin to convert, estimate, compare and calculate units of measure. Geometric shapes will be compared and classified including quadrilaterals and triangles.

#### Music

We will be focusing on the reggae genre, focusing on the artist Bob Marley and learning his song 'Three Little Birds'.
They will start to identify the pulse, rhythm and pitch in the music.

#### Science

Toothbrushes at the ready! The children's science topic this half



term will focus on teeth. Children will begin by learning the names and functions of each of the different human teeth. Furthermore, the children will discover the structure of a tooth and understand that teeth are alive! Year 3 will also have a visit from a group of dental students who will help the children understand the importance of keeping our teeth strong and healthy. They will also teach the children how to brush their teeth effectively.

#### <u>Art</u>

In art we will turn our attentions to Tudor portraits. Children will learn how to draw an accurate portrait of themselves and understand that Tudor portraits weren't entirely accurate and representative. Links will also be made with our numeracy work as the children will learn how to use shading techniques to draw 3D shapes.

#### <u>R.E.</u>

The RE work will be looking at signs and symbols in different religions and understanding the difference between literal and non-literal meanings.

# **Spanish**

Mrs Linfoot will teach the children Spanish on a weekly basis. They will be introduced to Spanish greetings, learn how to say their name and the names of colours.

#### Dates for your diary!

Old Gaol Trips

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September - Class 7 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September - Class 8

# <u>P.E.</u>

Mrs Watson will take all year 3 children to swimming lessons every Tuesday (Class 7) or Thursday (Class 8) at Gosforth Swimming Pool. In our other P.E. lesson the children will continue to build on the skills they learnt in multi-skills sessions, especially focusing on ABC - agility, balance and coordination.

#### **Topic**

We are going to start the year with by learning all about the Tudors, ordering events on a timeline. We will be covering everything from Henry VIII and his 6 wives to the development of fashion throughout the Tudor age. The children will be using a range of sources to gather information about how the Tudors used to live. We will be specifically focusing on our local History links at the Old Gaol in Hexham and learning the story of the prison break and the types of houses they used to live in during the Tudor times. After this, we will also be investigating Life at Sea as a Tudor Sailor and how they navigated the seas. Our guided reading sessions will also be based on a range of Tudor books, discussing and comparing their lives in Tudor Britain.

# Computing

In ICT the main focus of this half term will be to develop the skills and knowledge required to use search technologies effectively. The children will continue to use technology safely and responsibly, recognise acceptable and unacceptable behaviour online, and identify a range of ways to report concerns about content. Finally, the children will be creating their own Tudor book online to show what they have learnt this term.