

Year group: 3

Term: Autumn

Families and friendships

What makes a family; features of family life

Prior knowledge

- how to be a good friend, e.g. kindness, listening, honesty
- about different ways that people meet and make friends
- strategies for positive play with friends, e.g. joining in, including others, etc.
- about what causes arguments between friends
- how to positively resolve arguments between friends
- how to recognise, and ask for help, when they are feeling lonely or unhappy or to help someone else

National Curriculum Objectives

By the end of primary school:

Pupils should know

- that families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability.
- that others' families, either in school or in the wider world, sometimes look different from their family, but that they should respect those differences and know that other children's families are also characterised by love and care.
- that stable, caring relationships, which may be of different types, are at the heart of happy families, and are important for children's security as they grow up.
- how to recognise if family relationships are making them feel unhappy or unsafe, and how to seek help or advice from others if needed.





Enjoy learning about the true value of families and friendships!

By the end of this unit, I will be able to:

- to recognise and respect that there are different types of families, including single parents, same-sex parents, step-parents, blended families, foster and adoptive parents
- that being part of a family provides support, stability and love
- about the positive aspects of being part of a family, such as spending time together and caring for each other
- about the different ways that people can care for each other e.g. giving encouragement or support in times of difficulty
- to identify if/when something in a family might make someone upset or worried
- what to do and whom to tell if family relationships are making them feel unhappy or unsafe

Key vocabulary

Recognise, stability, love, support, caring, classmates, boundaries, respect, safe, behaviour, responsible, self-respect, polite, cultures, society



