

### Music

Music is taught by dedicated music staff. This term, they'll be playing tuned instruments and studying Jazz music. This year, children will enjoy an additional session each week led by the Schools Singing Programme.



### Art

During the first half term, we'll be focusing on the work of Belgian street artist and muralist, Dzia. This will tie in with our work on early humans, as we compare his work with cave paintings.



### Uniform

We'd like to take this opportunity to remind all parents/carers that our uniform requirements are on the school website, [here](#). This includes the school PE kit.

Please ensure that your child is wearing their full and proper uniform every day.

### The Year 3 Team

We are blessed to be joined in Year 3 by a wonderful TA team this year. Mrs. O'Hare, Mrs. Swan, Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Dodds (currently on maternity leave) are all experienced TAs, and will use their many skills to support your child in a variety of different ways. Their support is invaluable in tailoring learning to the specific needs of each child. Please do speak to any of the team if you have any questions.

I hope you find this information to be useful. If you have any queries or problems, do not hesitate to contact us. I hope to see you in or around school soon.

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## Year 3 Curriculum Matters

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# Welcome to Year 3!

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome! We hope that you all had a wonderful Summer and the chance to spend some extra time with your children. We're delighted to be teaching them this year and look forward to working in partnership with you over this academic year.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us; we're always happy to help. The best way to do this is through Class Dojo. If you haven't already signed up to this, we strongly advise that you do so as you'll also receive reminders and key messages from school.

In this booklet, you'll find a summary of the main areas of study this term, which we hope you will find useful. We are also looking for volunteers to help us with our learning so, if you, a family member, or friend have some free time then please do get in touch.

## Homework

Homework will be given out on a Friday and is to be returned to school on the following Wednesday. Homework will consist of Maths and English, a weekly Spelling List and times tables practice. Additionally, children will bring home a Guided Reading book; each week they will be asked to read a set amount in preparation for their reading lesson. 3AN's reading lessons take place on Wednesdays, and 3GM/ZJ's are on Mondays. We ask that you support your child to find a time and place to complete this work. Please continue to hear your child read, if possible for 15 minutes a day. Thank you in advance for your support.



## RE

This term, our Come & See topics are:

- Homes - we will explore how God is present in every home and how this is expressed in the love that binds the family together through good times and bad times;
- Promises - we will explore the promises made at Baptism and Confirmation as a call to a new way of life;
- Visitors - this topic emphasises the coming of God, in the person of Jesus, 2,000 years ago at Bethlehem.

## Maths

The following aspects of mathematics will be covered this term: place value; addition & subtraction, multiplication & division.

Within each unit, children will develop their Fluency, Reasoning and Problem Solving skills as we endeavour to deepen children's mathematical understanding.

## English

The main areas to be covered in English are as follows: a historical narrative, a persuasive letter and instructional writing. Please note that Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar are taught throughout each unit of work.

## Science

In science, children will learn about light: what a light source is, how shadows are made, how light reflects and staying safe in the sun. After half term, we will move on to studying rocks and how they are formed, in line with our Tremors topic.

## Topic

This half term, we will take a journey 'Through the Ages' and learn all about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We will investigate the societal and environmental changes over this time. This topic has a focus on the skills of being a Historian.

After Half Term, we become Geographers as we delve into rocks, volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunamis and their impact on humans and the environment. This topic is called 'Tremors'.

## Computing

This term, children will learn about Internet Safety and will develop skills to effectively and safely search the internet. They will also learn to present data and information using different platforms.

## PE

For 3AN, PE will be on a Tuesday and Thursday. For 3GM/ZJ, PE will be on a Tuesday and a Friday. Your child will need to bring their PE kit to school, in a bag, on these days. However, we would strongly advise that your child's PE kit is in school all week in case of any timetabling changes.

## French

The classes will each receive a French lesson, delivered by a subject specialist. French is the modern foreign language chosen by our school and delivered throughout KS2.

