

Music

Music is taught by Mr Kiteley. This term, the children will develop an understanding of tempo changes, explore the harmony of a piece and how we would play it on our classroom instruments and learn how to express these using standard notation. They will also develop the ability to read and respond to crotchet and quaver rhythmic patterns. Additionally, we are happy to be able to continue our choral tuition with Mr. Davidson.



Art

To link with our History topic this half term, we will be investigating, designing and



making Roman inspired clay pots. After half term, we plan to develop our sewing skills during DT.



French

Mr Étienne will teach French to the classes each week. The focus areas of learning this term will be describing how they move around.

After the half term holidays, pupils will learn how to describe going to the shop and listing different items purchased.

Uniform

Our uniform requirements are on the school website, [here](#). Please ensure that your child is wearing their full and proper uniform every day.

The Year 3 Team

We are fortunate in Year 3 to work with a wonderful TA team. As well as Mrs. O'Hare, Mrs. Swan and Mrs. Hunt, we are joined this term by Miss Carter. They 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.

We hope you find this information to be useful. If you have any queries or problems, do not hesitate to contact us. We 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,

Happy New Year! We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed spending the time with your friends and family. We're so excited for this term and can't wait to see what the children will achieve!

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 Curriculum Matters 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 continues to be given out on a Friday and is to be returned to school on the following Wednesday. Homework consists of Maths and English, a weekly Spelling List and times tables practice. Additionally, children bring home a Guided Reading book; each week they are 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:

- *Journeys: we will look the Christian family's journey with Jesus through the Church year.*
- *Listening & Sharing: we will learn about the importance of listening in our lives and the cost and joy of sharing;*
- *Giving: we will learn about how Lent and Holy Week are a time of giving in different ways and remembering the total giving of Jesus.*

Maths

The following aspects of mathematics will be covered this term: addition & subtraction, multiplication & division, and money.

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: diary entries, biographies and non-chronological reports. Please note that Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar are taught throughout each unit of work.

Science

Children will be learning about forces and magnets this half term. As part of the unit, they will learn about different magnetic materials and how magnets can attract and repel each other.

After Half Term, we will learn about plant and their life cycle.

Topic

Our topic for the whole term will be Emperors and Empires, learn about the Romans. We will learn about Julius

Caesar's attempted invasion, the power of the Roman Empire, the successful invasion by Emperor Claudius and the Romanisation of Britain. We will also learn about the British resistance to the invasion.



Computing

This half term, we will be learning about email safety and how to create emails. We will also learn how to use Microsoft PowerPoint. After half term, we will use spreadsheets and investigate online tools to create graphs to present information.



PE

Up until February half term Year 3's, PE will be on a Thursday and Friday. Your child will need to bring their PE kit to school on Thursdays. Due to the time of year, please can you ensure that your child has warm clothing packed for PE as we will continue to do PE, occasionally outside, during these colder months. Friday's PE will be a Forest Schools session on site. For this, children will need to arrive to school dressed in the uniform from the waist up and in warm, weather-resistant clothes from the waist down. **They will need to change into full uniform after the session so they will need to bring this with them, along with a plastic bag to place wet shoes/wellies/trousers in.**