

Autumn Term: Information for Year Three



Welcome to Year 3 and Rabbits class!
 I hope you enjoyed a summer holiday filled with fun and exciting memories with your loved ones. We are thrilled to welcome all of you back to a new school year of learning and growing. Below is some useful information about the coming term. Our start time is 8.55am and finish at 3.15pm. Pick up/drop off will be on the back playground. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to come and ask me. I am looking forward to a fantastic year together.

Mr Young

Subject:	Class Work:	How you can help:
English	Author study of Tom Fletcher and his book – The Creakers Poetry-list poems Stories from familiar settings	Read a variety of different poems and discuss how each one is different. Learn how to spell the 50 year three spelling words on our class page. Read as much as you can at home. Practise weekly spellings. Ask your child what they have learnt today. Know what the words adjective, noun, verb, adverb, conjunction and preposition mean.
Mathematics	Place value Addition and subtraction Multiplication and division Measure	Encourage your child to count and calculate whenever they can. Learning their times tables is essential. Ask your child to practice them daily (About 10 minutes) focusing on 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8s. Times Tables Rock Stars is brilliant for this. Let your child handle and calculate money as often as possible (at the shops), this will help them use their maths practically. Get your child to tell the time as often as possible. Count and use numbers up to 1000.
Topics	Geography -Spain History – Stone age to the Iron age	Our world topic 'Spain' will be a geography focus looking at Spain and Europe. We will look at the physical and human features of Spain, comparing climates in Europe, cooking tapas and locating countries and continents using different geographical tools. Our Stone age to Iron age topic will have a history focus. It will focus on the changes of Britain, what life was like and looking at evidence from different sources to answer questions about prehistoric times.
Science	Light Rocks and soils	Light – our light topic will focus on how light helps us see things, reflection, sun safety and shadows. Rocks and soils –our rocks and soils topic will focus on rock types, fossils and soil formation.
PE and swimming	Real PE/Swimming	Please make sure your child comes to school in their <u>PE kit on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays</u> with outdoor footwear (weather dependent). We will be focusing on Football and Gymnastics in the Autumn term.

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		Swimming will be taking place in the Spring term in two intensive weeks. More information and specific dates to follow.
Computing	Online safety Coding	We will be looking at how to stay safe online including stranger danger linked to online games. In our coding unit children will be learning how to create simple code and algorithms. They will learn to debug incorrect code through our computing scheme Purple Mash.
Art/DT	Art – Painting Sketching DT – Cooking with a focus on healthy and varied diet.	Art – Children will be using different thicknesses of brushes to create different effects. Mixing colours and creating washes to add detail to later. DT – Children will learn to chop and prepare vegetables using different techniques like cutting (2 different knife skills), grating, peeling, spreading. Children will learn about a healthy and varied diet.
Music	Recorders and singing	Children will move on to learning to play the recorder in Year 3. They will learn to play different songs and alongside will learn some notation to support their music reading.
Specific dates		P.E. –Wednesday (PE kit needed) Thursday (PE kit needed) Friday (PE kit needed) Learning Log - Set Thursdays, every week (Starting week 2) Spellings- Set Thursdays, tested weekly on the following Thursday (Starting week 2)
Targets for children		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children to change reading books weekly and independently. • Reading books to be brought in everyday with reading record books. • Read daily at home and school • Practise times tables 10 minutes every day on TT rock stars or other. • Learn weekly spellings daily 10 minutes.

Please can you ensure your child's name is written in/on anything they bring into school.

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