

Who's Who in Year 3

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Year 3 Teaching Assistants: Mrs Baker, Mrs Harding, Miss Neal, Mrs O'Donnell, Mrs Shaw and Mrs Veitch. **Senior TA:** Mrs Higgins



PE Lessons

Themes for indoor P.E will be travelling and balance, for outdoor P.E our focus is athletic skills and small ball skills. Games and P.E. can take place on Mondays and Thursdays. P.E. kits need to be in school at all times.

Please make sure your child brings a full kit to school. Make sure all the kit is labelled including the trainers or plimsolls.

As the winter weather continues and temperatures drop, please ensure your child has the appropriate clothing for outside PE so that they can be warm and comfortable. Tracksuits and / or the Upton 'hoodie' can be worn. As the saying goes, "There is no such thing as inappropriate weather, only inappropriate clothing."



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Year 3 Newsletter

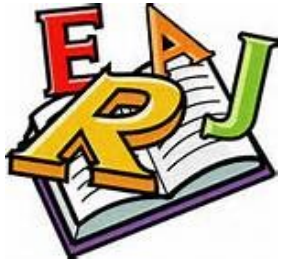
Terms 1 and 2

This booklet gives a quick resume of our teaching and learning programme these two terms. There are lots of exciting events happening across Terms 1 and 2. If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. If your child is not settling in, do get in touch with the class teacher. Mrs Turner, the Learning Mentor could also help. Here's a snapshot of what you can expect over the next two terms:

Date	Event
21/9/15	Prayer reflection sessions: Parents invited to visit the Prayer Space between 3-3:45 pm Mon-Thurs or 2:30-3:15pm Fri
23/9/15	Reading records meeting—2:30 pm
25/9/15	Parents invited in to class to be taught a skill by their child - 2:15 pm
5/10/15	Parents meeting: effective marking—9 am, 2:15 pm or 6 pm
16/10/15	Pupil forum: Governors to meet with Form Captains
16/10/15	Parents invited to view work and a short film—2:30 pm
19-21/10/15	Parent consultations— School closes on Monday 19th at 1:15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
21/10/15	Harvest Festival
23/10/15	End of term. School finishes at 3.15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
2/11/15	Staff training day: school closed to all pupils
3/11/15	Start of term 2: school open at 7:50 am for Breakfast Club Attendees and 8:40 am for the rest of the school
4/11/15	Year 3 parents lunch—12:15 pm: Letters out shortly
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16/11/15	Start of Anti-Bullying week.
16/11/15	Year 3 KIC Theatre workshops
19/11/15	3R class assembly- 9 am
2/12/15	Upton Open Day for Admissions 2016 - 10am, 1:30pm or 6pm
4/12/15	Christmas Fair—1:30 pm
7-11/12/15	Year 3 Christmas assembly this week. Date TBC.
8/12/15	Travelling pantomime in school—Mother Goose
14-18/12/15	Christmas party week. Date TBC
15-17/12/15	Year 3 to watch Aladdin pantomime at the Sarah Thorne Theatre
15/12/15	Year 3 Christmas dinner: letters out in November
18/12/15	Christmas celebration - Holy Trinity Church
18/12/15	End of Term: School closes at 2:15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
4/1/16	Start of Term 3: school open at 7:50 am for Breakfast Club Attendees and 8:40 am for the rest of the school



Year 3 Topics



English: We will be following a new 'text-based curriculum' designed around children reading a text over 4 weeks. The authors in Terms 1 & 2 include Roald Dahl; groups will read 'Fantastic Mr Fox' and 'Wartman'; 'Esio Trot' and 'The Silver Swan' and Michael Morpurgo as well as a selection of Christmas stories. The term begins with a focus on black history focussing on 'The Bus Ride' book which tells the story of Rosa Parks. The 'Read, Write Inc.' Programme is followed by children who need extra grounding in reading and writing.

Within the 'text-based curriculum' key skills of spelling, handwriting, writing, reading, speaking and listening will be taught.

To encourage and show how we value clear presentation in Year 3 there is a 'Handwriting Passport' which allows children who have legible, joined-up handwriting to use a pen.

Maths: We will be following the New National Curriculum for Maths this year. These are the headings for each area of maths covered in a term:

1. Number and place value
2. Addition and subtraction to 200 to solve problems
3. Measures—money, length, time
4. Fractions to solve problems
5. Multiplication and division to solve problems
6. Shape, position and direction
7. Statistics

Assessments take place throughout the year.



International Primary Curriculum:

We are developing a new topic curriculum based on the IPC design.

1. **Getting To Know You:** a focus on team-building and behaviour for learning.
2. **The Human Body:** A focus on teeth, the skeleton and keeping healthy.
3. **Different Places, Similar Lives**—a geography topic exploring the British Culture compared to another country.

ICT: Year 3 will start to write their own 'algorithms' to program online models. They'll use a coding language to produce an electronic juke box / media centre. In the classroom the children will develop their digital literacy skills and e-Safety understanding.



Music: We will be exploring how to use a choice of instruments, tempo and pitch to represent different feelings. We will listen to a variety of music by different composers. Pupils will also have the opportunity to learn the recorder.



R.E: The whole school meets every day for collective worship, except for Tuesday where the pupils meet in houses. In class we will be looking at festivals and celebrations in Christianity and Judaism.



Physical, Health, Social and Emotional aspects of learning: Very important aspects of your child settling in this term and throughout the year. We address these areas through circle time, through the SEAL curriculum and through the general ethos of daily school. Our themes in Term 1 & 2 are 'New Beginnings' and 'Friendships'.

Homework Tasks and Supporting your child at home:

The computer suite is open from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm every day for parents and children to complete homework.

Library lunchtime open days for pupils: Year 3 pupils can access the library on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

♦ In Year 3 your child is expected to do the maximum of 20 minutes homework 3 times a week.

♦ **READING:** Reading books can be handed in when they are finished. It helps if you can write 'finished' as part of your comments.

As well as home reading, it is wonderful if you can share a book with your child for about 10-15 minutes. This can be listening to them read, you reading to them, or looking at and discussing a picture book, or poem. Alternatively this time could be used for finding information, sharing a snippet from the paper, jokes etc.

♦ **SPELLINGS** are set each week.

♦ **MATHS:** times tables and written maths is set each week.

♦ 'The site 'MyMaths.co.uk' is subscribed to by the school. Homework is on it for Year 3 in their group.

♦ Your child needs their login. If the login is lost, let us know and we can give out the information again.

♦ **General MyMaths Upton login:** uptonjs new password: north

Useful websites: www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents



Uniform: In order that we can return missing items when found, please make sure your child's uniform is correctly labelled with name and current class.