

Who's Who in Year 3

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Swimming and PE lessons:



Swimming: 3B and 3G are swimming during Terms 1, 2 & 3 on Thursdays. 3R and 3Y will begin their sessions from Term 4 and continue into Terms 5 and 6. Please make sure your child has a swimsuit, hat and towel for these sessions.

PE lessons:

Outdoor PE: 3B & 3G: Monday afternoon

3R & 3Y: Thursday afternoon

Indoor PE: Monday afternoons for 3R & 3Y

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



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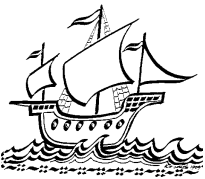


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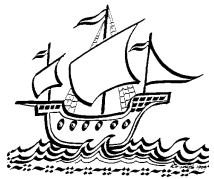
Terms 1 and 2

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
W/B 15/9/14	Year 3 'Meet & Greet' week—Letters out on 11.09.14
16/9/14	2:30-3:00pm parents are invited in to their child's class. Your child is going to teach you something as part of our 'How do we Learn?' topic
22/9/14	Prayer reflection sessions: Parents invited to visit the Prayer Space between 3-3:45 pm Mon-Thurs or 1:15-3:15pm Fri
24/9/14	Reading Records Meeting—2:30 pm
26/9/14	Individual pupil photography session
17/10/14	Parents in to see work, 2:30 pm
20/10/14	Parent Consultation Week—School closes on Monday 20th at 1:15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
24/10/14	End of term. School finishes at 3.15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
3/11/14	Staff training day: school closed to all pupils
4/11/14	Start of Term 2: school open at 7:50 am for Breakfast Club Attendees and 8:40 am for the rest of the school
17/11/14	Start of anti-bullying week.
4/12/14	Upton Open Day for Admissions 2015 10:30 am- 1:30 pm - 6:00 pm
5/12/14	Christmas Fair—1:30 pm
8/12/14	Year 3 Christmas assembly this week. Date TBA.
9/12/14	Jack and the Beanstalk pantomime.
15/12/14	Christmas party week.
16/12/14	Christmas dinner
19/12/14	Christmas celebration - Holy Trinity Church
19/12/14	End of Term: School closes at 2:15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
5/1/15	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 1 & 2 'Fantastic Mr Fox' and 'Wartman'; groups 3 & 4 '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 at the end of each term.

International Primary Curriculum:

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

1. **Brainwaves**—a focus on learning
2. **Different Places, Similar Lives**—a geography topic exploring the British Culture compared to another country.
3. **The Human Body**—A focus on teeth and keeping healthy.
4. **Airports**—The approach of IPC will be active and suited to the 21st Century child. The approach will be apparent when you see the books on the Open Afternoon (17th October at 2:30 pm).

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 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

