



Year 3 Newsletter

Autumn 2025

Welcome to Year 3, we hope you have all had an enjoyable summer and are glad to be back in school. We are so excited to be back in school ready for a great year!

To help ensure the smooth running of the school day and to support your child's learning and safety, please take note of the following reminders.

Start of the School Day

The school day begins promptly at 8:30am when the gates open.

- Registration closes at 8:35am
- Morning work starts straight away at 8:30, so please ensure your child arrives on time and is ready to start the day without delay.

Expectations

As we begin a new school year we are full of hope and ambition for each child to reach their full potential. To achieve this, it is essential that our classrooms remain calm, focused, and respectful learning spaces. Even seemingly minor disruptive behaviours — whether unkindness towards others, not following instructions, or ignoring school rules — can have a significant impact on both the learning and wellbeing of the whole class.

We are committed to delivering high-quality education every day. To do this effectively, we must work together to create an environment where every child feels safe, supported, and ready to learn. We thank you for your continued partnership in reinforcing these expectations at home, helping us ensure that this year is both successful and memorable for your child.

We are asking for your support in emphasising the importance of:

- Treating everyone with kindness and respect
- Following classroom rules and routines
- Accepting consequences when behaviour does not meet expectations
- Understanding that teachers are here to help every child succeed

Please take a moment to speak with your child about the vital role they play in contributing to a positive and respectful classroom environment. As a school, we are fully committed to acting in your child's best interests and to providing a safe, calm space where all children can thrive. We also value your support in reinforcing the message that all adults in school must be listened to and supported, both in and out of the classroom. By working together, we can ensure every child can succeed and feel proud of their behaviour and achievements.

Please be aware that staff will not contact parents about every low-level behaviour incident, as these are addressed promptly and proportionately in school. Such minor incidents are a natural part of children learning boundaries and are managed in line with our behaviour expectations. However, if there are repeated incidents or if a child is involved in a more serious situation, parents and carers will be contacted. We are committed to working closely with you to support your child's behaviour and wellbeing, ensuring that all children can flourish in a positive learning environment.

Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing the appropriate school uniform. To avoid lost items, please ensure that all clothing is clearly labelled, including jumpers, PE kits, and coats.

Children are responsible for looking after their belongings and bringing them home each day.

Children may wear watches and small stud earrings. Smartwatches may be worn but must not be connected to a cellular network or have internet access during the school day. No other jewellery is permitted in school.

PE and Swimming

PE takes place on a Tuesday afternoon for the Autumn Term up until Christmas

Please ensure your child brings:

- A full PE kit (school shorts and white t-shirt, pumps, trainers)
- Warmer clothes should be brought in for days when weather conditions are poor.

Earrings should be taken out on PE days, if this is not possible, please provide your child with plasters or tape for them to cover them up themselves.

Swimming lessons take place on Tuesday afternoons after Christmas

Please ensure your child brings:

- A towel
- A suitable swimming costume (one-piece for girls, fitted trunks for boys)
- A swimming cap (required for all children)
- A pair of goggles

Earrings must not be worn for swimming and cannot be covered with plasters or tape. Please ensure you take your child's earrings out for them on swimming days if they cannot do it themselves.

Homework

The main focus of home learning in Y3 is on reading, spellings and maths.

Reading – a minimum of 10-15 minutes a night. We would greatly appreciate it if you would support their reading by listening to them, commenting as appropriate in their homework diary and sign or initial the diary each night to say they have read with you. Homework diaries are collected on a **Thursday** – even if the book has not been completed. **Please remind your child to keep their homework diary in their bag each day.** We are restarting the **Reading Graduate** scheme in school this September. This is an additional book for your child to read for pleasure. We are hopeful that all Year 3 children will be reading graduates by the end of this school year!

Spellings - these are sent home on a Monday night and tested on Friday.

This is the homework timetable. Please ensure homework is completed in pencil. TT Rockstars should also be played 3 times per week for 10-15 minutes each time.

Given out:		Completed by:
Monday	Arithmetic Task & Spelling Task	Wednesday
Friday	Maths Activity & Reading Comprehension, or Grammar	Monday

Dates for Your Diary

Back to School
School Council Elections - Polling Day
Mission Day
Feast Day Mass
Play in a Day
Macmillan Coffee Morning & Hello Yellow
Harvest Festival
Pupil Progress Meetings
Give Racism the Red/Blue Card

Tuesday 2nd September
Thursday 11th September
Friday 12th September
Friday 19th September
Wednesday 24th September
Friday 10th October
Friday 17th October
Monday 20th October
Friday 24th October

