

Autumn 1 Newsletter 2025

Welcome to Year 3 and the Autumn Term!

We wanted to update you on a few things you may need to know this term.

Reading – We would like the children to read 4 times a week where possible. Please complete their reading record once you've heard them read or read to them. Children who achieve this will get a sticker/stamp in their reading record. They will also receive a raffle ticket to go into a weekly draw to win a book from our vending machine. This will be checked on a Friday so please begin a new page in the reading record every Friday.

PE - Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday. We will always try to go out even in cold and damp weather so children will need appropriate clothing every week!

Coats – We try to get out for play times as much as possible so please make sure that your child has a named coat in school every day.

Snacks – Please send your child in to school every day with a healthy snack and a water bottle.

Homework

Spelling Shed – there will be 2 games per week, one to practise the pattern taught that week and one for the common exception words. 10 minutes, 4 times a week is ideal.

Times Table Rockstars – Encourage your child to play on Garage. This is where we will set the children the tables they need to be working on and this will record the data for us to analyse (jamming allows the children to choose whichever times tables they would like to practise). Again, little and often is best.

Contact Details:

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Dates for your diary

Trip to Butser Ancient Farm
– Thursday 20th November



Romans and Celts Day –
Monday 24th November

Friday 24th October INSET
Tuesday 14th October and
Thursday 16th October

Geography

- A Tour of the UK
- Map skills – identifying human and physical features on a map.
- Identifying counties in the UK
- Identifying human and physical features in the local area.

This Half Term our topics are:



A tour of the UK and Light, shadow and reflection



Science

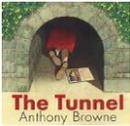
We need light in order to see things.

Light is reflected from surfaces.

Investigate how shadows are formed.

Understand that light from the sun can be dangerous.

English



Anthony Brown (the Tunnel and Into the Forest)

Writing an action narrative

Writing a non-fiction recount of an exciting day

Daily, whole class, reading lessons

Daily spelling lesson 'Spelling with the Jungle Club'

We will focus on writing clear and well-punctuated sentences with correctly formed handwriting.

PSHE

Me and my relationships

Learning all about friendships

(falling out and making up)



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RE

What is the Bible's big story and why is it like treasure for Christians?



The Bible tells one big (unfinished) story with links between the old and new testament. Key parts of the Bible focus on Jesus.

Maths

Place value numbers up to 1,000

Partitioning numbers to 1000

Comparing and ordering numbers

Locating numbers on a number line

Addition and subtraction of 3-digit numbers

Problem solving, reason and explaining using all of the skills above



PE



Football

Gymnastics

Computing

E safety

SMART online rules

Art

Shading and sketching

How is shading used to create tone in drawings

Use different methods to show tone and texture in drawing

Experiment with different types of pencils



Music

Recorders

Play notes B, A and G in songs, and read standard notation

Spanish

Greetings

Saying your name

