

YEAR 3

AUTUMN TERM 2018



"Our mission is to lay the foundation for a fulfilling life by promoting a joy of learning in every child enabling them to reach their full potential within our happy secure and caring environment"

Dear parents/carers, This is the termly outline to explain the work covered in the autumn in Year Three and information with specific dates that you may find useful. The class will be taught by Miss Lodge (Mrs Pickering on Wednesday mornings and Friday afternoons). If you have any concerns or worries about your child please do not hesitate to contact the staff. Class blog site (2015woodthorpe.wordpress.com)

OVERVIEW OF WORK

English

Autumn 1: Narrative: Setting and character description. (Text: Storm)

Non Fiction: Explanation text; Was Tutan-khamun killed?

Autumn 2: Instructions, writing letters and explanation texts.

Poetry: review, performance and composition.

Guided Reading

Daily focused reading sessions in groups of no more than 6 children exploring fiction and non-fiction texts.

Quality Write

Daily writing activities that last 5 minutes and focus on a specific writing skill.

Maths

Number—Focusing on place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

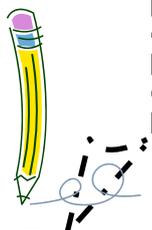
Using a variety of approaches and methods in order to promote mathematical reasoning.

P.E Our PE lessons will take place on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school. This should be a white t-shirt, red shorts and black pumps or trainers. You may wish to include jogging bottoms and a jumper, for lessons outside when the weather turns a little cooler. Jewellery is not permitted for health and safety reasons.

(School uniform, including sports uniform, is available from Woodthorpe Friends and at the local uniform shop)

HOMEWORK

- Homework will be set every half term. Children will be given a homework book with a list of 18 Home Challenges.
- Children are expected to complete 2 Maths, 2 English and 1 from Topic and Science.
- You can also find the Home Challenges on the class blog site.
- Alongside homework, children should be reading on a daily basis and practising their times tables.
- Reading books are sent home to give parents an opportunity to record this. The Year 3 class teacher will use these to monitor that regular reading at home is taking place.
- Spellings will be sent home every Monday.



OVERVIEW OF WORK

This term the children will be studying the following topics:

Who were the greatest builders in the world? (Autumn 1)

Science: Rocks and fossils.

Humanities: Ancient Egyptians

Art: Celtic traditional patterns.

D&T: Building a pyramid

Music: Listening to and appraising music. (Let your spirit fly.)

PSHE: Being Me in My World

PE: *Gymnastics and Games*

Computing: Network Engineers

French: Meeting and greeting each other, classroom instructions, animals, numbers and plurals.

RE: Sharing and being generous, caring for others, animals and the environment.

Bright sparks—How does electricity work? (Autumn 2)

Science: Electrical conductors, magnetic materials, static electricity, lighting up a bulb.

Humanities: Where on Earth are we?

Art: Bridget Riley patterns.

D&T: Designing and making a magnet game.

Music: Glockenspiel stage 1

PSHE: Celebrating Difference

PE: Dance and Net and Wall

Computing: We are bug fixers - coding and problem-solving.

French: Simple sentences, gender of words, "Je suis", Christmas in France.

RE: Creating unity and harmony, participating and willing to lead

EVENTS

October

Black History Month— the class will be studying famous / influential people. The class project will be on Bob Marley.

26th - Break up for Half Term.

November

Wednesday 7th and Thursday

8th— Parents evening

Monday 19th —Friday 23rd

Health/Anti-bullying week

National Road Safety week.

December

21st- End of the Autumn Term

Christmas Break

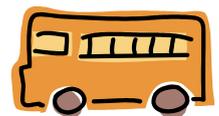
Educational visit/ visitors -

Birmingham Museum and Art

Gallery— October

16th (details to

follow).



WATER / SNACKS

We are proud to be a healthy school and want to maintain our high standards. Unfortunately the government do not provide free fruit to KS2 children therefore children should bring their own healthy snack such as fruit. These must not contain nuts. Alternatively toast is available to purchase from the school kitchen. We do not allow chocolate, biscuits, sweets or crisps for snacks.

We encourage you to send your child to school with water to enable them to stay hydrated throughout the day. Please ensure it is in an appropriate non-spill/sports cap container. As an alternative children are allowed to bring in sugar-free squash or flavoured water. We are unable to provide pupils with water from beakers during class time as we do not have beakers or washing-up facilities in the classroom.

