



Welcome to Year 3

September 2025

Start of day: 8:50am End of day: 3:15pm

Key Stage Two Phase Leader

Miss Raper

Classes in Key Stage Two

Y3: Mrs Hall/Mrs Harland

Y4: Miss Raper

Y5: Mrs Heasman

Y6: Mr Proud

Staff working with you children this year:

Mrs Harland

Mrs Hall

Mrs Durance

Mr Tinjod (French specialist)

Dear parent/carer,

A big welcome back from all of us in Year 3. All the staff in Year 3 are so excited to work with you and your child over the next year. Please remember that all members of staff are happy to speak with you at any time over the year regarding the learning and well-being of your child. Do not hesitate to contact us via our online platform (E-Schools) or by contacting the school office (01740 630270). Alternatively, we are happy to discuss any issues with you during morning or evening handovers provided we have additional supervision for our class.

Please find below some important information for this year.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to an exciting year ahead.

Year 3 Topics:

Autumn

Stone Age

Volcanoes

Movement and Nutrition

Forces and Magnets

Spring

Romans

Italy

Rocks and Soil

Light and Shadow

Summer

Crime and Punishment

UK

Plant Reproduction

Does hand span effect grip strength?

Educational Visits:

Hardwick Park

Snappy Christmas

Newcastle Life Centre

We have a number of on-site educational visitors in school this year including a pantomime performance from M and M Theatre Group. We will provide half-termly updates via the school newsletter.

PE:

The designated day for Y3 PE is Monday. PE kits are required to be brought into school each half-term so that we can have flexibility with the weather for outdoor PE.

Throughout the year, children will have the opportunity to take part in a range of sporting events at Stockton Venues.

Swimming will take place in two week blocks. The first of these blocks will be on Monday 15th September.

Below is a guide to homework. Please note we may issue other homework as appropriate.
We use E-Schools to set and review homework.

Homework Expectations

Times Tables Rockstars and home reading to be completed regularly to develop fluency.
Spellings will be set on E-schools each Monday.

Since learning times tables is the most important aspect of maths homework, additional maths homework will be in the form of quizzes and games to support learning in class.

We will also issue a topic Homework Grid, which has different activities the children can choose to complete. Please complete your activities by the end of half term.

Day	What I need for school today
Monday	Reading record and reading book P.E. Kit
Tuesday	Reading record and reading book
Wednesday	Reading record and reading book
Thursday	Reading record and reading book
Friday	Reading record and reading book

A Love of Reading

In class we will be reading a variety of different texts as part of our English lessons. The class can also visit our newly stocked library on a Friday afternoon. The children will borrow books to read at school and keep in their trays. If they would like to bring in a book that they are reading at home they can do that too.

Developing good comprehension and reading fluency is essential. Below is a web address for the top fifty recommended books for Year 3.

You may enjoy reading them together:

[Best Books for Year 3:](#)
[Recommended Booklist for Ages 7-8](#)

Times Tables

Over the academic year, Year 3 will develop their knowledge of 3, 4 and 8 times tables and will consolidate their knowledge of 2, 5, and 10 times tables. It is important for children to have a good knowledge of multiplication facts as this helps in all areas of maths. In school we use Times Tables Rockstars as a fun way to practise times tables knowledge and it is therefore important that regular practise takes place. We will arrange for TTRS login details and password for the children shortly.