



Year 3 – Curriculum Letter – Summer Term 2025

Welcome back – we hope you all feel rested and refreshed after the Easter break. We have a busy term ahead with lots of exciting learning and activities planned for the final months of the year.

Topics

Our first topic of the term is 'Plants'. In this topic, we will focus on the great outdoors, learning lots about plants in science and taking advantage of the improving weather to enjoy some active experiences outside of the classroom during our 'forest school week' in the first week back. As part of our topic, we will be growing sunflowers from seeds and keeping a seed diary as they grow. We may even have a competition to see who can grow the tallest one!

After half term, our topic is 'We are Investigators', which is another science-based topic. The children will have the chance to plan experiments and investigations on a variety of science topics, therefore encouraging them to think scientifically about the world around them.

P.E.

Our PE lessons this term will cover handball, cricket, athletics and rounders. It will involve lots of outdoor lessons, hopefully in the glorious sunshine... The lessons will be held on Thursday and Friday afternoons, although it is useful for children to have their PE kit in school throughout the week for any ad-hoc sporting activities as well. We will endeavour to send PE kits home on a Friday – please do give these a wash over the weekend if possible.

**Please remember to send your child in with suncream on and caps/hats if it is likely to be sunny.*

Reading

Regular reading at home is essential, daily if possible. This could include school reading books (fiction and non-fiction), magazines, comics or anything else which takes their interest. In fact, the wider the range of genres that your child reads, the better. We will begin to think this year about how to tailor writing for different audiences, purposes and genres, so reading a range of texts will help them really understand how writing differs depending on the context. Reading comment books will continue to be used to record reading progress – we really appreciate your continued effort here.

**Please encourage your child to put their reading comments book and reading book back in their book bags each night so that they are available during the school day.*

Home learning

A home learning task will continue to be set once each week, typically in Spellings, Literacy or Maths but occasionally in other subjects as well. Home learning aims to reinforce a key concept the children have learnt at school. This will usually be set each Friday and due in again the following Wednesday. Additional copies of the home learning, if required, are left in the classroom. Occasionally you may wish to add a comment on to your child's home learning if there is anything you feel we should know about how they got on. We really appreciate your continued support in helping your child to complete their home learning on time. We would also like to remind you that doing home learning is optional, not mandatory.

We know that this is going to be another exciting term, and we are all really looking forward to making sure this is a brilliant end to the year for the class. If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to see us after school, or arrange a more formal appointment via the school office.

Best wishes,

Mrs Cooke and Miss Weir
Y3 Class Teachers