

Autumn 1 in Class 3 – 2025/26



Reading & Literacy

We will begin the term with our Success for All (SFA) phonics and reading scheme.

We are reading...

In literacy, we will be exploring different genres and writing for varied purposes such as character descriptions, narratives, diary entries and letters.

Books and stories that we will focus on this term are:



Maths

We follow the White Rose Maths Scheme in school and will be developing our understanding of the following topics:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction



Throughout the year, we will be working hard on our times tables and mental arithmetic. Please encourage your child to practice this by accessing Times Tables Rock Stars at home.



Science

In Science, we will be learning about the different types of rocks on Earth. Throughout this topic, we will be identifying and grouping rocks, exploring soil and becoming palaeontologists by investigating how fossils are formed.



General Info

Welcome back everyone! The children have settled brilliantly into their new Class and are looking forward to the exciting year ahead!

We will continue to send homework and reading for pleasure books home again this year which should be returned every Wednesday. Please encourage your child to read at home to become Bronze, Silver and Gold level readers!



History and RE

History

In history, we will be learning about the ancient Egyptian civilisation and exploring some of their main achievements.



RE

In RE, we will be exploring why people visit Durham Cathedral and its significance as a place of Christian worship.



Art and Design

In art and design, we will be developing our drawing skills by focusing on how we can capture tone and shade using charcoal and chalk. Our artist of focus in this topic is Dennis Creffield.



PE & Commando Joe

Class 3 have their PE lesson on a Monday and a Wednesday.

Could children please bring in a pair of trainers to leave in school for this.

Computing

In computing, we will be developing our coding skills and learning about online safety to ensure that we know how to keep ourselves safe online.



Dates for the diary

- Class trip to The Hancock Museum – Wednesday 24th September
- Macmillan Coffee Morning - Friday 26th September
- Show Racism the Red Card Day - Friday 17th October
- Halloween Disco - Tuesday 21st October
- October Half Term: Monday 27th October – Sunday 2nd November
- Odd Socks Day – Monday 10th November
- Parents Evening – Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th November
- Children in Need – Friday 14th November
- Lumiere – Wednesday 3rd December
- Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 11th December
- Key Stage Two Christmas Performance – Thursday 11th December Afternoon
- Key Stage Two Christmas Performance – Friday 12th December Morning
- Christmas Fun Run – Wednesday 17th December
- KS2 Christmas Party – Thursday 18th December