

Year 3 Newsletter



Summer



Welcome to our Summer Term newsletter

This term our enquiry question is 'How does art inform us about the past?'. As part of this enquiry, we are going to be learning the characteristics of Ancient Greek art and developing our own art skills.

In Science, we are going to be learning about Plants and Forces and Magnets. We will be doing experiments and research in both these areas and we will also be learning more about famous scientists.

Reading

As always at Greenwood, we will continue to develop the children's positive attitudes to reading. We will be reading a wide range of texts in our reading lessons and enjoying listening to our class reading texts too.

Our spotlight authors this term are Ben Miller (The Diary of a Big Bad Wolf) and Phil Corbett (Kitty Quest)
The children will continue to be responsible for changing their own reading book this year and we will have regular time in our library for the children to swap their books.

To help your child you can read with them at home during the week and record this in their reading diary. If there any words that they are unsure of, please help them look up the meaning in a dictionary.

English

We will be revisiting and building on the children's knowledge of spelling, punctuation and grammar.

We will be writing a diary entry based on the myth, 'Theseus and the Minotaur', a narrative based on the story of Icarus, a non-chronological report about the Ancient Greeks and shape poems.

To help your child at home, you can encourage them to join their handwriting and practise with them. The children practise a new handwriting scheme regularly in school time.

Maths

This Summer term, we are focusing on building Year 3 children's confidence and skills in key areas of maths.

We will be exploring exciting new topics! The children will learn about fractions, money, time, shape and statistics.

Please support your child by showing them an analogue watch/clock and talking them through how to tell the time.

To help your child, you can practise counting in 3s, 4s and 8s. Each week, a heatmap will be coming home to show your child's progress. (Anything in green is good and anything in red, they need support with).

P.E. Lessons

P.E lessons for Year 3 will take place on a Wednesday

Children can come to school in their PE kit on Wednesdays.
Please ensure your child is wearing **no jewellery** on this day and has suitable clothes for P.E. sessions e.g. plain white or blue t-shirt, blue or black shorts or joggers and outdoor trainers.

Any other information

Children need to bring their water bottle into school each day (not glass).

Please encourage your child to complete their homework, which will be set either on Purple Mash or on paper on Wednesdays. Homework needs to be completed and submitted by the following Tuesday.

Please could we ask that all your child's items are named as this makes it easier to return any lost items quickly.
Please check Class Dojo regularly as we will update it will messages and reminders.

In school we support children with their mental health in many different ways, for example through workshops, clubs and adult intervention. As a school we work closely with the Mental Health support team (MHST) who can offer further specialist support and guidance around mental health. If you have any worries or concerns about your child's mental health, please contact Miss Appleby either by phone or email.

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Over this academic year your child will take part in the following workshops

- Sleep Hygiene workshop
- Resilience workshop
- Wellbeing workshop

Other notes

It is crucial that children arrive at school and are ready to learn for 8.40am and are collected promptly at 3.15pm.
If you have any questions or problems, please get in touch via Dojo, school email or by ringing the school office. Please be aware we are unable to check Dojo during the school day as we are teaching, so any urgent messages should be sent to the school office.

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Dates for your diary

Residential meeting - Thursday 5th June 2025 @ 3:15

Summer Fayre–Tuesday 17th June

Sports day–Tuesday 24th June (am)

Year 3 Residential - Thursday 26th & Friday 27th June - details to follow.

Tuesday 3rd June–Class photos

Monday 28th July and Tuesday 29th July–INSET days