



Welcome to Year Three.

We are delighted to welcome you to Mill Rythe Junior school and hope that your first few days have been enjoyable. We are looking forward to helping your child settle in this term and then working with them over the course of the year. We have some exciting topics coming up, starting off with our dragon themed unit; you may have already heard about the dragon egg discovery last week! We would like to remind you about the drop in session this Wednesday (12th September) when you are invited to pop in between 3:30 and 4pm to meet us and see how your child has settled in.

Who's Who in the Year 3 Team?

3SB Class Teacher	Mrs Brydon
3CW Class Teacher and Deputy Head	Mrs Wintle (Mon– Weds) Mrs Chessell (Weds—Fri)
3AT Class Teacher	Miss Thorne
Year 3 Teaching Assistants	Mrs Neale Mrs Harries

What is needed when?

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reading Star Journals Reading books Spelling Homework PE Kits (3AT)		PE Kits (all classes) Library Book (3AT and 3CW)	Swimming Kits (3AT and 3CW)	Maths Homework Library Book (3SB)

Homework

In Year Three it is really important to embed good homework habits, therefore we are asking that you take a little and often approach. The tasks given are essential skills and make a big difference to pupils learning in class. Every week we will ask that the pupils do some work on their number facts including times tables as well as practice spellings which will be tested on Mondays. In addition to this we ask that pupils read five times a week and that they complete their Star Reading Journals, which must be signed by an adult, and hand these in every Monday.

We will give out spelling homework on Mondays and it needs to be handed in on the following Monday. Maths homework will be handed out on Fridays and returned the following Friday.

In Year 3 we are aiming to develop good homework habits so please do support your child with this. Homework should take around 20 minutes per subject. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Pencil Cases

Pupils have all been given their own pencil cases with the equipment needed for the term. If items get lost or worn out then there is a school shop which sells a range of stationary. Pupils are able to access this at break times.

Turn over to find out what we will be learning about this term. We are sure it will be an action packed year where we combine learning with plenty of fun!

Autumn Term 1 Curriculum Map

English : Fantasy

Using the theme of dragons, the children will become Dragonologists and write expert Information texts about their own dragons. They will then write instructions on how to catch a dragon.



Maths

- In Number Sense we will be improving our understanding of number and place value.
- Then, we will develop both our mental and written skills in addition and subtraction.
- We will be reasoning about maths and developing our problem solving skills throughout each unit.

Art: Painting

We will be developing our painting skills using poster paints to create dragons. The children have already produced some amazing dragon eyes using watercolours.



Science : Light

- We will learn that you need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light
- We will notice how light is reflected from different surfaces
- We will recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object.

Computing Skills

We will learn how to use Word, including inserting pictures and WordArt to create posters for our dragons.

Personal, Social and Health Education Being me in my world.

We will identify what we are good at and set goals for ourselves. We will think about our rights and responsibilities.

Religious Education: Belonging

We will identify feelings of belonging and the importance of the community.

Physical Education

- Tag Rugby
- Indoor P.E**
Multi skills, Dance
- Swimming**
• Developing our stroke technique.

Autumn Term 2 Curriculum Map

English : Historical adventure and discovery

Using the Stone Age theme, children will be reading stories about Little Nose, a Stone Age boy and writing their own historical narrative. We will also be doing some imagery poetry.



Music: Dragons

- Dragon scales

History: Stone Age

We will delve back into time to find out about Stone Age and Iron Age Britain. This will include a visit from Portals to the Past.



Maths

- We will develop effective strategies for division and multiplication.
- We will learn about fractions
- In Geometry, we will learn about 2D and 3D shapes.

Religious Education: Light

- We will think about the concept of Light and what it means.
- We will learn about what light means to Christians and how it is used as a symbol within Christingle.

Science : Magnets

- We will compare how things move on different surfaces
- We will notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance
- We will observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others
- We will compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials

Computing

Internet Safety

We will explore how we use the internet safely.

DT : Levers and Linkages

We will be making pop up cards for our stories.

Personal, Social and Health Education: Celebrating Difference

We will consider how actions and words affect other people's feelings.