

Life in Year 3

Yet again, we have had a fantastic half term with the children. They continue to impress us with their developing maturity and growing independence, especially during the busy festive period.

We have thoroughly enjoyed studying the artist David Cooke and getting hands on with 3D form and learning the process behind fossilization in science.

Spring 1 will be a busy half term, so please find below some key dates.

- **Year 3 learning showcase:**
Tuesday 20th January 2025 @ 2:30pm
- **Woodpeckers Swimming dates:**
Woodpeckers will continue to go swimming until the end of Spring 1 then Hedgehogs will commence swimming in Spring 2. The dates are as follows:

Thursday 15th January 2025

Thursday 22nd January 2025

Thursday 29th January 2025

Thursday 5th February 2025

Thursday 12th February 2025

Home Learning

- As well as times tables practise on TT Rockstars, please make sure your child is reading at least 3 times a week.
- Can they talk about what they have read? Here are some prompts we use in school to question their understanding.

Vocabulary – Can they figure out the meaning of a new word by reading it within a sentence?

Inference – Can they pick out the hidden clues about characters or events and figure out what is happening?

Predict – Can they make a reasonable prediction about what might happen next, using evidence from the text?

Explain – Can they explain what they think, using evidence from the text to justify their opinion?

Retrieval – Can they pick out relevant details in order to answer questions?

Summarise – Can they summarise what they have read so far, making sure to include the essential information?

Here are some fun activities that your child may like to do at home, they are linked to learning in school. If you do any, please send them into school to share.

DT: Explore pneumatics at home and see how air can create movement.

Geography: Research and create a presentation about a European Country



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Staff Names:

Miss Wood

Mrs Graham

Mrs Pugh

Mrs Dobson

Miss Johnson

Mrs C



Spring 1 2025

In **English**, we will be reading 'Charlie and the chocolate factory' the children will be describing the characters and the narrative.

In **Maths**, we will be heavily focusing on multiplication and division. First exploring the language of sharing and grouping and using practical methods of division. Then moving onto a more formal written method to calculate. We will be multiplying a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number without, then with, an exchange. The more the children are confident with their times tables the easier they will be able to access the new methods we are learning.

In **Science**, we will be moving onto forces and magnets. This is a great topic and really allows the children to get hands on with their learning to explore new concepts such as friction.

Our **Geography** focus this half term is A European Tour – Where will you go? Within this topic the children will be learning about different European countries and making comparisons with where they live.

In **DT**, we will be focusing on pneumatics. Exploring how air can create movement and using this to create moving monsters at the end of the half term.

Key Texts this half term

This half term, our key text will be Charlie and the chocolate factory supporting our English topic. We will also be reading a variety of texts that link to our Geography and Science topic. Each class will also choose a text for reading for pleasure at the end of the day.

Contact

For concerns or queries relating to your child's learning, your first point of contact is one of the Year 3 class teachers (Miss Wood and Mrs Graham). The easiest method is to speak to one of us at the end of the school day. However, if this is not possible, you can also contact us via the below email address:

LKS2@tnhps.rklt.co.uk

Other concerns relating to absence, school uniform, lunches etc. should be directed to the school office.

Things to remember...

The school gates open at 8:40am and register will be taken at 8:50am. If you are later than 9am, the gates will be closed, and you will need to report to the front office.

Children are expected to wear the correct school uniform, including black shoes, a white polo shirt and grey skirt/trousers. Children can wear a plain, stud earring in each ear if they wish. Hairbands should be plain and no other jewellery (necklaces/bracelets etc) should be worn.

Year 3's P.E. days are **Tuesday and Thursday**. On this day, children should come to school in their PE kit: plain white t-shirt, school jumper (old or new), black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms and plain trainers.

Jewelry should not be worn during PE. Earrings that can't be removed should be taped over. Long hair should be tied up.

Remember!

- Water bottle
- Book bags
- Reading records/books

The children should be bringing their book bags and reading record to school every day.