



June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you have had a restful Half-term break.

Weekly overviews

Please do look at the **weekly overviews** which are uploaded onto ParentHub. These give you a brief outline of what we are covering in the different subjects each week so you can talk to your children about what they are learning at school and offer support where necessary.

Topics

Our history topic is **Alexander the Great**. In this unit, children will learn about: Greece and Macedon, King Philip, The Rise of Alexander, Battles in Persia, and Alexander Conquering Persia.

Our geography topic is **Climates and Biomes**. In this unit, we will learn about: Climates, Climate Zones, Climate and Oceans, Climate and Biomes, The Mediterranean Climate, and Temperate Climates focussing on Britain and The Rhine.

The Bee Project will be our science topic. We will learn: What a Bee is, What is Inside a Hive, What Bees Make, How Bees Communicate, Who Makes Honey, and What is Happening to Bees.

Sarah Crawford will be teaching Year 3 **Art** on a fortnightly basis.

Mario Vitrano will be teaching each class **PE** once a fortnight. Other PE lessons will be taught by the class teachers. Please send your children to school dressed in suitable clothes on their PE days. These are as below:

	Week 1	Week 2
3O	Monday and Wednesday	Thursday and Friday
3R	Thursday and Friday	Tuesday and Thursday
3P	Tuesday and Friday	Monday and Tuesday
3B	Monday and Wednesday	Thursday and Friday

Reading

All children will take part in whole class reading lessons where the focus is on inference, understanding and using new vocabulary and using key features of information texts to find information.

Children that are still working towards the expected level will read with an adult at school once a week and receive a new reading book chosen by the teacher. Those children that are reading at or above the expected level will choose a new reading book every 2 weeks.

Children will be visiting the library with their class once a fortnight. They can also choose to go to the library at set times during lunch or break twice a week. They will be able to choose two books at each visit as long as they have brought back their old ones. One of these books will be a free choice so they may sometimes be books that you will need to read to them.

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All children need to have their reading books with them at school every day, banded or a free choice book. There are independent reading times during the week where the children will need these either to read or use in sessions, or if they are reading to us. They also may like to bring in a book of their choosing from home.

We really want to stress the importance of **reading regularly with your child at home**, particularly for those on banded books. To make progress, children need to be reading on a daily basis as much as possible.

Healthy snacks & water bottles

We encourage children in the juniors to bring in a healthy snack to eat at the morning break. This can only be a piece of fruit, some chopped fruit or vegetables - NOT sugary cereal bars, crisps or biscuits. The children all need a named water bottle that they can access during the day. They can refill this at school but it will need to be cleaned at home. We ask that children only have plain water in their water bottles, not sugary flavoured water or juice.

Medical conditions & food allergies/intolerances

It is vital that we have accurate information about any medical conditions or food allergies/intolerances your child may have. Please report any changes to the school office.

Arriving at and leaving school

Registers are taken at 8:55am, therefore your child must be in the classroom ready for registration. If your child arrives after this time, they need to register in the office. Please ensure your child arrives on time; lateness is very unsettling for your child and the other children in the class.

The school gates will be locked at 9.00am; therefore, after drop off please make sure you leave the school grounds.

Dates for your diary:

Saturday 21st June – Summer Fair

Wednesday 2nd July – Sports Day

Wednesday 9th July – School reports given to parents/carers

Wednesday 16th July – Parents evening (in-person)

Tuesday 22nd July – Last day of term & Toy Day

Yours sincerely,

The Year 3 Team