

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn term 2023



Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 3! We are looking forward to a very exciting year. The children appear to have settled into their new classes well and have been learning all about Shottermill Junior School.

Details of the key areas studied this term in each of the National Curriculum subjects can be found by downloading the **Autumn Term Curriculum Overview**, which is available on the Year 3 Curriculum pages of the school website.

Class Rules:

We have all agreed the following class rules to help us create a positive learning environment in Year 3:

3G will always try to:

- Be positive and treat people the way we want to be treated, using kind words only.
- Keep our classroom tidy and respect everyone's property
- Be friendly and supportive, show kindness and respect
- Follow the rules of taking turns, walking, listening and being polite.
- Try our best and have fun.

3N think it is important to:

- Show respect to other people, our belongings and things in the school.
- Think about our actions.
- Do not be afraid to make mistakes.
- Listen to each other.
- Help each other.
- Share
- Treat people how we want to be treated.
- Think about other peoples' feelings.
- Always try our best to be in the **Green Zone**.
- Be safe and have fun!

Being well prepared for school:

Please ensure that the children continue to have the following items in their pencil cases: a whiteboard pen, 2-3 pencils, a sharpener, some colouring pencils, a ruler and a glue stick. Please make sure **all equipment is named**. On a daily basis, the children will bring their reading book and reading diary/ record to school to be checked and gain house points from doing this. Please also ensure a warm/ waterproof coat is with them, as we aim to go outside as much as possible.

On their PE day, the children need to come to school in the correct PE attire, ready for outside weather. PE currently takes place on:

- Tuesday and Thursday for 3G
- Tuesday and Thursday for 3N

As with all personal belongings, children's PE items should be clearly labelled.

ECA on a Friday afternoon:

If your child is doing a sporty ECA (e.g. multi-sports, football, rounders etc.) they may come to school in their PE kit on this day. If they are doing survival in the wild, they **must bring old clothes and waterproofs** to change into at lunchtime, including suitable footwear. They will not be able to go into the woods otherwise.

Lunches:

Please note, you pay online (in advance) for your child's school lunches and any upcoming trips with your personal code that has been generated and sent home. School lunches should be ordered online via ScoPay once the code has been sent – they can be ordered up to 3 weeks in advance. Please also note that we are a nut-free school – please ensure your child does not bring in any nuts for snacks or as part of their lunch, including sauces and spreads, such as satay sauce or Nutella.

It is important to provide a **snack** for break times, but as a healthy school, we ask that it is a healthy snack – fruit, yoghurt, breakfast bar etc. **Chocolate bars, nuts, sweets, or crisps are not appropriate.**

Homework:

The homework diary and any related work are available on Google Classroom each week (logins to be sent as soon as possible). In addition to the homework set in the table below, children are expected to read to an adult for 10 minutes each night, which should be recorded and signed in their Reading Diary.

We use TTRockstars (times tables) and the Maths Practise Questions book for maths homework within our school, which will be set on alternate weeks and detailed in the homework diary. A paper copy of the homework diary and spellings will be sent home on a Monday, and is also available on Google Classroom. All homework books should remain at home and photographs of work should be submitted on Google Classroom. There is no need to bring in completed homework.

Please support your child by allowing them to complete any homework set as independently as possible.

Set	Subject	Due in
Monday	Spelling	Test in school on Friday
Monday	Class (choice from grid– changed half-termly)	Monday
Monday	Maths booklet page/ TTRockstars) alternate weeks	Monday

We are looking forward to a happy and productive year. If you have any problems or uncertainties about your child in school, please feel free to contact us after school by making an appointment through the school office. We look forward to speaking to you during Parents' consultations also.

In the meantime, please do not forget to check in your child's bag for letters and information, although communication will be mainly via email. You can also follow us on twitter for announcements and news - **@ShottermillJrs.**

Helpers plea:

We would really appreciate support in school to help with hearing readers and times tables. If you would be interested and available on an afternoon, please contact the office or speak to the class teacher.

Yours sincerely,

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