

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2025



**Shottermill
Junior School**

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:

3C will always try to:

- Always try our best.
- Be respectful.
- Challenge ourselves.
- Keep our feet on the ground.
- Be kind.
- Listen to each other.
- Walk when inside.
- Be helpful.

3N have agreed to :

- Be honest, kind and helpful.
- Be responsible for the school's belonging and our own.
- To always try our best and be Yetis when we find something tricky.
- Be safe and sensible in different areas of the school.
- 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 3C
- 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, karate etc.) they need to come to school in their uniform and bring their PE kit/ change of clothes to change into please. 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:

When homework fully starts, it will include a task for Spelling, Maths and one connected to our general class learning, this is listed in the table below. We will not implement all 3 tasks until after the October half term, the week commencing 3rd November. This will give us time in school to help the children learn how to log in and use Google Classroom and you time to practise with them at home.

There will be a homework diary, which gives information about the tasks for that week and any other useful information or dates. For the first term, we will provide a paper copy of this homework diary and any other documents the children will need to complete the tasks. After the first term, we will only upload these to Google Classroom to save paper and printing costs.

The new 3C and 3N Google Classrooms will be set up after the Parent Information Session. We will begin to introduce aspects of the homework to the children over the following weeks, beginning with spelling.

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 Maths Worksheets for maths homework within Year 3, which will be set on alternate weeks and detailed in the homework diary. 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 of that week.
Monday	Class (choice from grid– changed half-termly)	The following Monday
Monday	Maths Worksheet/ TTRockstars) alternate weeks	The following 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 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 X (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,

Mr Church and Mrs Nichols