



# Welcome to Class 7 Autumn Overview



Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to Year 3! The children have settled into their new class very well and are becoming familiar with the expectations of now being in Key Stage Two. We are very proud of them all. Year 3 is an exciting and busy year, and so we want to support you in every way we can. You will receive information about whole school matters through school letters, but we also wanted to send you our own information about Year 3 through a newsletter.

Remember we are using Google Classroom for spellings, homework and updates.

Thank you, Mr Colley, Miss Fallows and Mrs Moorhead



## Maths

We are focusing on place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division this term. Times tables and mental arithmetic will be practised daily to improve our rapid recall skills. In Year 3 we expect children to know their 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x and 10x times tables.

Weekly 'times tables tests' will be completed on a Friday. Please support your child in learning their times tables – you could quiz them on the way to and from school!

TTRockstars is a brilliant way of having fun whilst learning times tables. Look out for battles against other classes!



## English



This term, we will look at the genres of story-writing, acrostic poetry, persuasive posters and non-chronological reports. Look out for texts on Google Classroom that link to our English work.

In our reading sessions we will practise comprehension skills to help our understanding of a text.

Grammar, punctuation, spelling and handwriting will be practised daily in class. We will now be moving on to spellings from the Year 3 word lists and explore how sentences can be written using different structures.

Finally, we will be encouraging all children to speak clearly in full sentences, as this is a focus we are having throughout the year.

## Science

During the Autumn term we will be learning about Animals including humans. We will be studying skeletons, body parts and how to keep our bodies healthy.

We will then be exploring plants and how they grow healthily.



## RE

Our first topic that we will look at this term is Family (Domestic Church). In this topic, we will look at how God wants us love and respect our family. We will also take some time to look at Baptism and think about what happens when someone is baptised in church.

We take time to think about other religions and this term we will look at Judaism in which we will learn about Shabbat in a Jewish Family.

In our Advent/Christmas, we will focus on Advent as a time of waiting and preparing

## PE

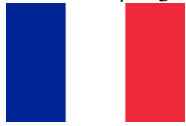
Our P.E lessons are delivered by Mr Bowman. The children will learn the rules of basketball and tag rugby and develop ball skills including passing backwards and scoring.

They will practise various techniques and then practise these against their opponents. The children will build on their teamwork skills from last year.

This will take place on a Wednesday afternoon, so remember to have PE Kits in school (White tops/black shorts and trainers).

## French

Bonjour! In French we will be learning to say hello, goodbye and numbers 1-10. We will also be learning how to say our names and saying how we feel.



We will learn how to say nouns, colours, instructions and how to say our age. Au revoir!

## Art, Music and D&T

Art will be based around our Anglo-Saxon theme and children will create their own clay pots and then a collage of a Saxon helmet.

In Music the children will be listening to German music, such as Beethoven and opera and then learning a German language song.

In D&T children will be learning how to use mechanisms to make an Anglo-Saxon pop-up book!

## Hello world!

Welcome to Class 7's new blog!

## Computing

We will be learning about blogging – how to blog, why people have one and how to do it safely. Read our blog here:

<https://class7stpats.edublogs.org>

We will also be introducing the children to e-safety. Please encourage safe internet use at home and good and legal use of social networks. Thank you.

## History & Geography

We will be learning all about the Anglo-Saxons this term. Where did they come from? Why did they come to England? How did they live? How can we find out more about them? Our trip to Danelaw will help bring this to life!



## Homework

**Reading** is very important! Please listen to your child read regularly and ensure they bring their reading book and record to school every day. It would be appreciated if you could also write a comment to let us know how your child is getting on at home with their reading.

**Spellings** will continue to be sent home each Monday. Please help your child to learn their words each week for a test on a Friday.

## Important Dates!

Anglo-Saxon trip to Danelaw: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Half-term holiday begins on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Children return to school on 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Christmas holiday begins on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

Don't forget to visit our website for more information: <https://stpatickscp.npcat.org.uk>

