

Curriculum Newsletter

Waltham Holy Cross - Summer Term 2025

We are Year 3: 3D, 3S, 3W



Welcome to Year 3

Welcome back Year 3! We hope you had an egg-citing and egg-cellent break! This half term children will be continuing to develop their reading with daily reading lessons and explore new texts in English. Children will continue to master times tables, measurement and time. We also have our school trip to The Hive in July as well as other fantastic activities and events as we head into the Summer.

P.E.

All children in Year 3 will have a PE lesson on **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Children will get changed at school, so please make sure their PE kit is in school. They should wear their house colour top with black trainers and black joggers/shorts. Children are also not allowed to wear earrings for PE or during the school day.

Topics we will be studying this term...

History - The Romans

Geography - Italy

Science - Light & Plants

Art - Growing Artists

D.T. - Pneumatic Toys

English

We will start the term by studying Poetry and then move on to looking at 'Boundless Sky' by Amanda Addison. Throughout the term, children will develop their writing skills through the use of this story and a number of other texts used for comprehension practice, reciprocal reading and class reading.

Home reading

Please do continue to read regularly with your children and remind your child to bring in their Home-School Book so we can see all of their hard work. We will be changing books every week; however they are welcome to bring their own book from home too.

Useful websites to help with homework

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://nrich.maths.org/>

Thank you for your continued support, it is much appreciated!

Mr Dobson, Mrs Wrighton, Miss Stratton,
Mrs Boxall and Miss Winter.

Maths

In Maths, we will continue to study and progress with our times tables. We will be working on our understanding of time, length, perimeter and capacity during our measurement units, as well as deepening our understanding of fractions to be able to find fractions of an amount.

What are we learning this term?



History

This term in History, the children will be studying The Romans. We will be learning about why the Romans invaded Britain and what life was like in Roman Britain.

Geography

In Geography, we will continue to explore our locational knowledge while studying Italy. We will be looking at where it is located and the key physical features that make up the landscape. We will also find out about its capital city, currency and language.

Science

First, we will study Light; light sources, reflection, shadows and the sun. We will also be studying Plants. We will look at germination and fertilisation and the life cycle of a plant, as well as conducting our own experiment to see what is most important for a plant's growth.

Art

This half term in Art, children will be creating observational drawings of plants, focusing on tone and texture. Their final piece will be an abstract drawing inspired by Georgia O'Keefe.

Also...

In Year 3, homework will continue to be set online. There are no homework books.

Our homework focus this year is **consistently reading five times a week** at home as well as accessing:

Mathletics - 2x tasks weekly www.mathletics.com

TTRS - please aim for 3x per week www.ttrs.com

Spelling Shed - weekly www.edshed.com

Logins are now in the Home School book for all three websites.

Children should practise their spellings online, ready for a spelling test on a Friday.

