



Year 3 Newsletter

Autumn | 2026

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back to Autumn 1 and to Year 3! I hope you all had a fun-filled Summer break and got a chance to rest ahead of a busy year! Let me introduce myself: my name is Miss Johnson and I am so excited to be teaching Year 3 at Abbott! I will be joined by Miss Saeed and Ms Green: we are so excited to get to know you all better and to see what you can achieve this year!

Reading

Your child's reading book will still be changed on Mondays and Thursdays, giving them enough time to continue to read and discuss the content with you. If your child forgets to bring it on those days, we will always try and change it on another day.

PE

Year 3 will be doing football on **Thursday** and sports coaching on a **Friday**. Your child should come into school wearing their PE kit on this day. They can wear black shorts or tracksuit bottoms depending on the weather.

I can answer any quick questions at the door but if you have anything more in depth you want to discuss, then please send me an email or ring the school so that we can arrange time for this.

Kind regards,
Miss Johnson



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Key dates

- Roald Dahl Day – 11th September
- Jeans for Genes Day 18th September
- World Space Week – 21st September
- Book Fair – 28th September
- National Poetry Day – 1st October



Year 3 timetable: Autumn 1



	08:45 - 08:55	08:55 - 09:15	09:15- 09:45	09:45 - 10:00	10:00 - 10:50	10:50 - 11:05	11:10 - 12:10	12:10 - 12:30	12:30 - 13:15	13:15 - 13:30	13:30 - 14:10	14:10 - 14:20	14:20 - 14:50	14:50 - 15:15
Monday	Registration/Independent Reading for Pleasure	Spellings	Shared Reading	GPS	Literacy	BREAK	Maths	TTRS	LUNCH	Handwriting	Science Art Computing Geography PSHCE Music	BREAK	Spanish	Whole Class Novel
Tuesday		Spellings	Shared Reading	GPS	Literacy		Maths				Science Art Computing Geography PSHCE Music		Science Art Computing Geography PSHCE Music	14:50 - 15:10 Singing Assembly
Wednesday		Spellings	Shared Reading	GPS	Literacy		Maths				Science Art Computing Geography PSHCE Music		Science Art Computing Geography PSHCE Music	Whole Class Novel
Thursday		Spellings	Shared Reading	GPS	Literacy		PE				Science Art Computing Geography PSHCE Music		PE	Whole Class Novel
Friday		Spellings	Shared Reading	GPS	Literacy		PE				Science Art Computing Geography PSHCE Music		Science Art Computing Geography PSHCE Music	14:45 - 15:10 Celebration Assembly

Curriculum Overview

English

Orion and the Dark



Dialogue

Character description

Diary entry

Poetry

Story Retell

Information text

Maths

Place value within 1,000



In this unit we will ...

- ⚡ Count in 100s
- ⚡ Partition a number in 100s, 10s and 1s
- ⚡ Find 100, 10 and 1 more or less
- ⚡ Compare and order numbers up to 1,000
- ⚡ Count in 50s

Addition and subtraction ①



In this unit we will ...

- ⚡ Apply number bonds within 10
- ⚡ Add and subtract 1s, 10s and 100s
- ⚡ Add and subtract 1s and 10s across 100
- ⚡ Learn when to exchange 1s, 10s and 100s
- ⚡ Add and subtract using mental and written methods

Addition and subtraction (2)



In this unit we will ...

- ⚡ Add and subtract 3-digit numbers
- ⚡ Decide if we need to exchange
- ⚡ Exchange across more than one column
- ⚡ Learn how to check our answers in different ways
- ⚡ Use bar models to solve 1- and 2-step problems

Science

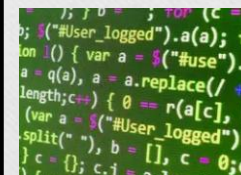


Animals including Humans

I can identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.

I can identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat.

Computing



Coding

Geography

Why do some earthquakes cause more damage than others?



Locate and describe the effects of an earthquake.

Observe and record the distribution of earthquakes.

Identify, describe and explain the causes of earthquakes.

Understand why the most powerful earthquakes don't necessarily cause the most deaths and destruction.

Art

Gestural drawing with Charcoal

Key Concepts:

- That when we draw we can use gestural marks to make work.
- That when we draw we can use the expressive marks we make to create a sense of drama.
- That when we draw we can move around.
- That when we draw we can use light to make our subject matter more dramatic, and we can use the qualities of the material (charcoal) to capture the drama.



PSHCE

Keeping Safe:
Leaning out of
Windows

Music

Soul Music



PE

PE is on Thursdays and Friday.

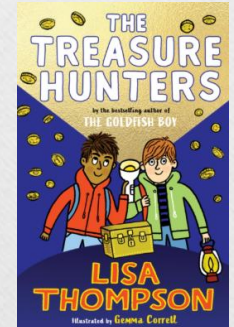
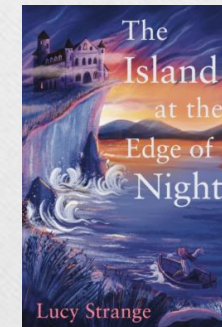
PE Kits MUST be brought to school every Monday and taken home Friday

Reading

Children will have independent reading books to take home and they will be able to visit the library on a Thursday.

When reading at home, encourage your child to read with expression as this is the goal I have set for the whole class.

To further support independent reading for pleasure, take a look at the suggestions below.



Home Learning

English

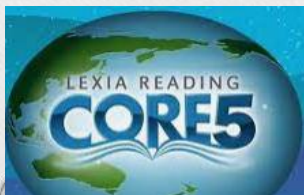
Daily reading: reading records to be signed and returned to school daily.

Spellings: regular practise of the spellings attached to the newsletter.

Maths

A worksheet will be sent home on Fridays. This is not to be returned to school. Answers will be emailed to parents.

Children also have access to online learning platforms that can be used at home.



Homework Club is also available for children every Thursday 3:15pm – 4:15pm

Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spellings

accident	calendar	eight	guide	mention	possession	straight
accidentally	caught	eighth	heard	minute	possible	strange
actual	centre	enough	heart	natural	potatoes	strength
actually	century	exercise	height	naughty	pressure	suppose
address	certain	experience	history	notice	probably	surprise
although	circle	experiment	imagine	occasion	promise	therefore
answer	complete	extreme	important	occasionally	purpose	though
appear	consider	famous	increase	often	quarter	thought
arrive	continue	favourite	interest	opposite	question	through
believe	decide	February	island	ordinary	recent	various
bicycle	describe	forward	knowledge	particular	regular	weight
breath	different	forwards	learn	peculiar	reign	woman
breathe	difficult	fruit	length	perhaps	remember	women
build	disappear	grammar	library	popular	sentence	
busy	early	group	material	position	separate	
business	earth	guard	medicine	possess	special	