

# Y3 Spring Newsletter



## Welcome

A belated Happy New Year parents and carers! We hope you all had a restful holiday and enjoyed spending time with loved ones.

What a wonderful first term we had: the children came into Y3 ready to learn and do their best at DJS. We are proud that they have handled the transition with maturity and kindness. A fantastic highlight of the term was Stone Age Day! It was lovely to end the autumn term with a trip to Millhouses Methodist Church and Christmas parties all round.

This term, we are looking forward to more exciting learning across the curriculum.

Ms Taylor, Mr Frampton & Miss Jackson

## Y3 Key Staff

### Y3T

**Teacher:** Ms Taylor

**Teaching Assistants:** Mrs Shepherd, Miss Jabbar, Mrs Booth

### Y3J

**Teacher:** Miss Jackson

**Teaching Assistants:**

Miss Sorefan, Mrs Liu, Mrs Sheppard, Mrs Booth, Ms Vintin

### Y3F

**Teacher:** Mr Frampton

**Teaching Assistants:** Ms Myers.

## Spring Curriculum

Below is an outline of the topics that Year 3 will be covering over the Autumn Term. For further details, please visit our website under the curriculum section.

### Spring 1

**English:** Narrative – Setting and character descriptions based on the Pied Piper of Hamlin by Michael Morpurgo

**Guided Reading:** Poetry - Michael Rosen  
Fiction – Greek Myths

**Maths:** Numbers to 1000

**DT:** Healthy and Varied Diet – Savoury Salads

**Art & design:** Painting inspired by Alma Thomas

**Computing:** Communicating Media – How do I use the computer as a musician?

**Geography:** How Millhouses has changed over time

**MFL:** Colours

**Music:** Rhythm, structure and dynamics

**PE:** Gymnastics – Balance & handball

**RE:** Islamic faith

**Science:** Light

**Personal Development –** Family changes

### Spring 2

**English:** Non-Chronological reports based on The Arctic Jellyfish by Chloe Savage

**Guided Reading:** Poetry - Michael Rosen  
Fiction – Greek Myths

**Maths:** Addition and subtraction

**DT:** Healthy and Varied Diet – Savoury Salads

**Art & design:** Painting inspired by Alma Thomas

**History:** Ancient Greece

**Computing:** Communicating Media – How do I use the computer as a musician?

**MFL:** Days of the week

**Music:** Rhythm, structure and dynamics

**PE:** Gymnastics - Dance & handball

**RE:** Islamic faith

**Science:** Forces and Magnets

**Personal Development –** Family changes

## **Y3 Key events**

**27.01.26 – Y3F Broomcroft Care Home**

**04.02.26 – Y3F Class assembly**

**09.02.26 – Safer Internet Day with the Y2s**

**24.02.26 – Y3F Broomcroft Care Home**

**04.03.26 – Trip to Millhouses Park**

**05.03.26 – World Book Day**

**18.03.26 – Y3T Class assembly**

**24.03.26 – Y3F Broomcroft Care Home**

**24/25.03.26 – Parents evening**

### **Healthy snacks**

During morning playtime, children are welcome to bring a healthy snack. It would be great if this could contribute to their 5 a day. Please ensure children do not bring any sweets, chocolate or crisps etc. Please also ensure that snacks do **not** contain nuts.

## **Reading**

Please encourage your child to read with an adult at least 3 times per week for around 20 minutes. Please use their reading record to log when they read. Children will receive 3 dojos if they manage to read 3 times in a week, which should be recorded in their reading record.

### **Reading Volunteers**

**Volunteers are valuable in helping our children make progress.** If this is something you would be interested in, please get in touch to discuss further.

## **PPA**

This year, the Y3 teaching team will have their planning, preparation and assessment time on alternative Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

During PPA, your child will be taught two out of three subjects below on a rotational basis. The subjects are taught by our specialised PPA teachers:

**Mr Ross – P.E**

**Mrs Dawson – Music**

**Miss Cooper – R.E**

## **P.E**

Y3T will have indoor PE every alternating between **Monday** and **Wednesday**.

Y3F will have indoor PE every **Thursday**

Y3J will have indoor PE **Thursday**

All Y3 classes will also have outdoor PE on alternate Mondays and Wednesdays with Mr Ross.

Please ensure your child comes to school with clothing appropriate for P.E on their allocated days.

Children with long hair MUST tie hair up on P.E days. Children with pierced ears MUST remove earrings or cover with tape. Fitbits must not be worn for PE.

## **Home Learning**

This year, your child will continue to receive their home learning on **Fridays**. This will be due to be completed by the following **Wednesday**. All weekly homework details will be updated to your child's ClassDojo page. Children will also be set 10 spelling words which they will be tested on the following week.

Occasionally, teachers will set home learning online using the many sites that school has a subscription for. Your child has an individual login for these sites which will be sent home.

If there are times when we ask the children to complete a piece of work that is not online or from their CPG books, we will notify you via dojo how we would like it to be handed in.