

Y3 Autumn Newsletter



Welcome

Welcome to Dobcroft Junior School! We are delighted to be teaching your child in their first year at the Junior School.

Each term, you will receive a newsletter with key information and dates for the term. If you have any further questions about the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Ms Taylor, Mr Frampton & Miss Jackson

Y3 Key Staff

Class	Teacher/s	Teaching assistants
Y3T	Ms Taylor	Mrs Rahim Ms Myers Mr Kemp Miss Sorefan
Y3J	Miss Jackson	Miss Sorefan
Y3F	Mr Frampton	Miss Jabbar Mrs Shepherd

Autumn Curriculum

Below is an outline of the learning over the term. For further details, please visit our website under the 'our learning' section. **The 'Key learning' documents provide a snapshot of the most important facts and understanding.**

Autumn 1

English	The Wilderness The First Drawing
Whole Class Reading	Fiction and Poetry: Fairy Tales Non-Fiction: Hedgehogs
Maths	Y2 consolidation Numbers to 1000
Key Facts to remember ('Maths Moments')	Time: reading an analogue clock to the nearest 5 minutes.
Times tables focus	Doubles 2 x table
Science	Rocks and Soils
History or Geography	Geography: UK cities and counties
Art or DT	Art: Clay sculptures
Computing	Basic Skills
Personal Development	Transitions to DJS
Online safety	Privacy and Security
Music	Rhythms, structure and dynamics
RE	Festivals
PE – Games	Multi-skills
PE – gym or dance	Gymnastics: travelling
French	Greetings

Autumn 2

English	The BFG The Seed of Doubt
Whole Class Reading	Fiction: The Hodgeheg Non-Fiction: Christmas Around the World
Maths	Numbers to 1000 Addition and subtraction
Times tables focus	2 x table
Key Facts to remember ('Maths Moments')	Time: adding on 15 minutes and time conversion facts.
Science	Light
History or Geography	History: Changes from the Stone Age to the Iron Age
Art or DT	DT: Healthy and Varied Diet: savoury salads
Computing	Media (music)
Personal Development	What makes a good friend?
Online safety	Self-Image and Identity
Music	Rhythms, structure and dynamics
RE	Festivals
PE – Games	Multi-skills
PE – gym or dance	Gymnastics: balance
French	Greetings

Assessments this term: baseline assessments starting w/c 14.9.26. Progress assessments starting during w/c 2.11.26.

Y3 Key dates (please also see our calendar on the website)

Work Showcase mornings: an opportunity for you to pop in at drop off and spend a few minutes visiting your child's new classroom and looking through your child's work with them. It is intended to be quick and informal with the aim of your child being able to show you their new learning space.

Class	Dates
Y3T	15.9.26 & 3.12.26
Y3F	16.9.26 & 1.12.26
Y3J	17.9.26 & 2.12.26

Broomcroft Care Home visit afternoons:

Class	Dates
Y3T	6.11.26 TBC
Y3F	11.12.26 TBC
Y3J	9.10.26 TBC

Other Upcoming Events:

Event	Dates
Outdoor Education day	7.10.26
Parents' Evenings	20.10.26 & 21.10.26
Y3T class assembly	26.11.26 (approx. 9.10am – 9.45am)
Flu vaccinations	27.11.26
Millhouses Christmas Tree Festival	December date TBC

PPA

This term, the Y3 teaching team will have their planning, preparation and assessment time on alternate Tuesday and Thursday 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

Class	Day	PPA PE Days
Y3T	Friday	Tuesday Thursday
Y3F	Thursday	
Y3J	Wednesday	

Healthy Snacks

Children in KS2 do not get provided with snacks from the government therefore we ask parents to provide a healthy snack for morning breaktimes.

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 Calendar to log when they read. Children will receive 3 dojos if they manage to read 3 times in a week. A new calendar will be sent home each month.

Volunteers are valuable in helping our children make progress.

Regular volunteers can make a huge difference to a child's confidence. Previously, we have had adults regularly supporting individual children's reading. If this is something you would be interested in, please get in touch with your child's teacher to discuss further.

Home Learning

We encourage Y3 children to spend approximately 30 minutes on their homework over the week. Some children may complete it faster and some might find that they don't finish the task within 30 minutes which is absolutely fine. If homework because a struggle at home, please talk to your child's teacher – we certainly don't want it to cause upset at home and we can work together.

This year, your child will receive their home learning on **Fridays**. This will be due to be completed by the following **Thursday**. 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.

Sometimes, teachers will set home learning online using the many sites that school has a subscription for. Your child will have 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.

Oracy

This year, we are having a whole school focus on manners. We want all children to remember that **polite is powerful**. Each week, we will have a different oracy focus that we will share with the children and actions that they can take to earn dojos around school.