

Year 3 Newsletter

Hello everyone and welcome back! We hope you all had a fantastic Summer break. We also hope you are refreshed and ready for an exciting year ahead. Welcome to Key Stage 2!

As always, please feel free to come and speak to any of the Year Three team with any questions or queries you may have. Alternatively, you can contact Miss Freeman/Mrs Ure via our class email address (dtcyear3@tudhoecolliery.co.uk) or the school office (01388 814 399).

PE

On PE days (**Monday**), children will need to wear a warm outdoor kit (e.g. joggers, hoodies).



If your child wears earrings, they will need to be removed by your child for PE or medical tape can be provided for the PE session.

Please ensure that all items of clothing and footwear are **named**.

Snack

The children are now in Key Stage 2 and will no longer receive fruit as part of the National Fruit Scheme. Children are encouraged to bring in one healthy snack from home e.g. a cereal bar or fruit.



Water Bottles

Children are encouraged to bring a small, named water bottle to school **every day**. These should be taken home every evening to be rinsed and refilled. Please do not put these into book bags.



Teacher Timetable

We would like to take some time to introduce the amazing staff who will be working in Year Three with us this year. We are all so privileged to have so many teachers working in our classroom.



You will recognise all of the teachers from around school and lots of us are fortunate to have spent time together in previous year groups.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Mrs Ure | Mrs Ure | Miss Freeman | Miss Freeman | Miss Freeman |
| Miss Collins | Miss Collins | Miss Collins | Miss Collins | Miss Collins |
| Mrs Sheldon | Mrs Sheldon | Mrs Cooper | Mrs Cooper | Mrs Sheldon |

A new little one

Miss Freeman would like to share some very exciting news with the parents and children. She is expecting a baby girl in early January and will hopefully be with you all until the Christmas holidays. She will of course bring Emeric and the baby in to school to see you all!



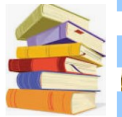
Marvellous ME

We will use the Marvellous ME app to communicate with home. This app is a great way of us sharing your child's achievements and praising them for their hard work. We also send updates about what the children are up to on X (formerly Twitter) so please keep an eye out!



Reading

Just a gentle reminder to please return any phonics or Dream Read books from your time in Year 2. We are so lucky to have such wonderful books in school to pass down to the next cohort of children. Thank you in advance!



In Y3, children who are not on the phonics programme will receive a book from our school library. This will be signed out on our LibraSoft system. The book will be matched to their reading level and should come into school **EVERY DAY**.

Our wonderful day

8:40am–9:00am—Independent reading followed by registration (please ensure phonics and home reading books are brought in every day for this time)

9:00am–9:50am—Phonics (Read, Write, Inc.) and Reading lesson

9:50am–10:40am—Writing

10:40am–11:05am—Assembly followed by Break time

11:10am–11:40am—Basic Skills

11:40am–12:30pm—Maths (Maths No Problem)

12:30am–1:00pm—Break time

1:00pm–1:30pm—Lunch time

1:30pm–1:50pm—Class Novel/Book Talk

1:50pm–2:00pm—Times Table Sense

2:00pm–2:45pm—Curriculum (Humanities, Science, PE, RE, Computing, Spanish, PSHE)

2:45-3:30pm—Curriculum lesson 2 (Humanities, Science, PE, RE, Computing, Spanish, PSHE)

3:30pm—Home Time (Children are now picked up from the yard outside of the Y3 classroom. This is at the bottom of the yard near the MUGA.)

Please note: The timetable is subject to change as the term progresses.

Topics

We have so much fun planned for Year 3! We have some amazing topics coming up to help us explore our world:

Science: We are learning about Forces—get ready for lots of experiments!

RE: We will be looking to answer the question: What can we learn from the story of St Cuthbert? This is part of our local history so watch this space for our first school trip coming up soon!

History (after October half term): We will be learning about the time 3000BC which is a VERY long time ago. We will explore the Stone Age to Roman Britain period.

Geography: We will explore the continent of Europe in more depth (I know I covered it with you in Year 1 but there is sooooo much more to know about Europe). After all, it is the continent we live in!

PSHE: We will be exploring how to be good friends to each other and how to keep ourselves safe.

Art, DT and Music will be taught as project days.

If you ever have any questions, queries or concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch with us at school. We can make appointments before or after school. If we need to give you any further information, we will send an additional letter or Parent Mail.

Class Teachers: Miss Freeman and Mrs Ure

Teaching Assistants: Miss Collins, Mrs Sheldon and Mrs Cooper

Head Teacher: Miss Boustead

Deputy Head Teacher: Miss Gray

Office Staff: Mrs Armstrong

A new handwriting style

Children will all be starting their year with a BLUE PEN! Miss Freeman and Mrs Ure could not believe the amazing progress the children have made in their cursive handwriting. Well done superstars!

Awards

We are super lucky in Year Three as there are lots of rewards up for grabs each week!



Independence Award

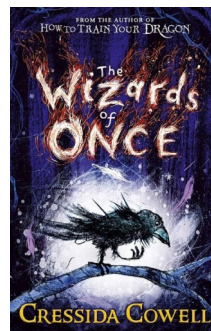
is given to the child with the most independence points.

Star of the Week is given to the child who has also given their best effort.

Gold Writer Award is given to the child who has tried extremely hard in writing.

Emerald Editor Award is given to the child who has took time to edit their work to make it even better!

Arthur postcards are still up for grabs and we can't wait for you to collect his next photograph!



Our first class novel

This is the story of a young boy wizard and a young girl warrior who have been taught to hate each other like poison; and the thrilling tale of what happens when their two worlds collide. This novel links with part of our history topic as it is set during the Iron Age.

