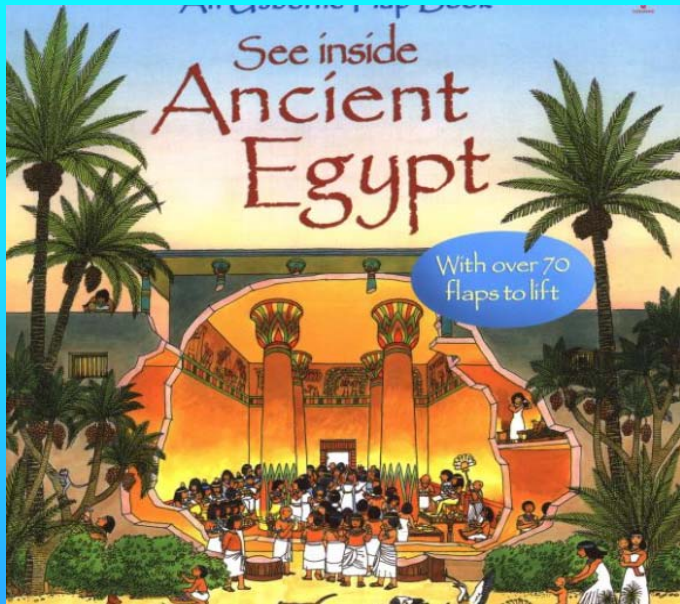


Welcome to Year 3



Teaching Staff in Year 3!

The Year 3 team consists of:

Copper Beech teachers:

Mrs Jules Ashmore and Mrs Dawn Smith

Silver Birch teachers:

Mrs Sandra Garden and Ms Julie Roworth

Poplar teachers:

Mrs Vicky Hodges and Mrs Caty Marchant

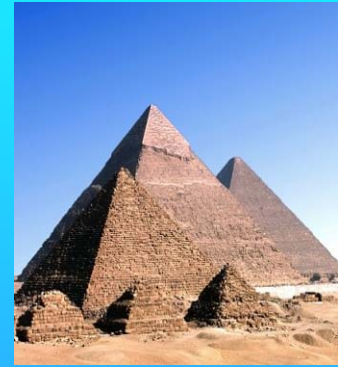
Teaching Assistants: Mrs Mansfield, Mrs McPhee, Mrs Joseph, Mrs Epps and Mrs Martin

PPA: Mrs Smith, Mrs Marchant and Mrs Gaylard

Topics



Autumn Term: Skull and Crossbones
Spring Term: Footprints in the past!
Summer Term: An African Adventure!



Maths

The children learn about the four operations, place value and number patterns. Children are also encouraged to explain their reasoning when tackling problems.

We work on learning multiplication tables and practise speedy recall of these facts through Times Table Challenge every week.

The children will receive logins for Times Table Rockstars which allow them to practise their skills in a fun way. Please encourage this at home.

Reading

Reading is a key focus. We encourage children to read regularly at home and will be an important part of homework.

Your child will have a reading journal. This is for your child to respond in and NOT for the parents. It is not a home school communication book.

Please encourage your child to bring this in every Friday as this will be checked by your teacher.

The image shows a sample 'Reading Journal' form. At the top, the title 'Reading Journal' is written in a decorative font. Below the title, there are two boxes: 'Title:' on the left and 'Author:' on the right. Underneath these is a section for a rating, labeled 'I'd give this book:' followed by five empty star icons. Below the rating is a box labeled 'Why?'. The bottom section is a large box labeled 'Book Summary:'. The form is enclosed in a green border.

Spelling

This year we have a new whole school approach to spelling. Children will still be learning spellings but they will be linked to a specific sound each week. There will not be a test at the end of the week. Spelling activities will be sent home as part of homework. More information will be sent out to help support children with this.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday on PurpleMash. Any resources needed to complete the tasks will be sent home in a folder on the Friday and needs to be returned to school by the following **Friday** with their **Reading Journal**. Please ensure all work is named.

Homework will consist of a range of activities including **Mathematics, Spellings or Reading** - Please read with your child as often as possible. We recommend children share books with parents and carers for ten minutes each evening. As part of this children are welcome to read their own books at home. As an alternative children can read and research information relating to topic work.

Our Curriculum

Science – The children learn about many scientific topics including healthy eating, our bodies, magnets, light and plants.

Computing – The children will use laptops and iPads to support their understanding of computer science and E-safety. We will be using Purplemash to develop their understanding of coding and children can access this at home. Reminders of log ins will be sent out.

French – We will be teaching French in KS2. The children will be introduced to this throughout the year as we start to build this programme.

P.E.

PE bags containing PE kit and suitable footwear should be left in school, so they can be used whenever required.

In the Summer term the children will have swimming lessons at the Dolphin Leisure Centre.



Rewards

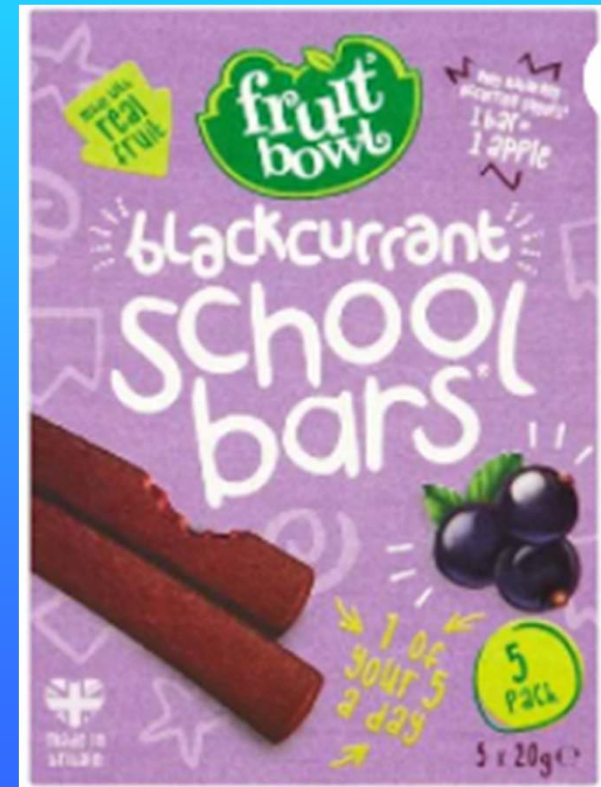
Your child will have the opportunity to collect stickers, house points, certificates and be Star of the Day. Do talk with your child and celebrate their achievements.



Snacks

Children are encouraged to bring a healthy snack to eat during the morning break.

Please remember no nuts.



Keeping in contact

Teachers are unavailable in the morning as we want to focus on settling the children into school. You are welcome to email the office or make an appointment to see us. Teachers may pop out and find you at the end of the day if necessary.

