

Year 3 Class Newsletter

A big hello and welcome back to you all, we hope you had a fantastic Christmas break and are as excited for 2026 as we are. We would just like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your kindness and generosity over Christmas, it was very thoughtful and we are very grateful. We have an exciting term in store as we start lots of interesting new topics. We also hope to get out and about and get stuck into our local geography project.



St Andrew's School Website and Twitter

Don't forget to keep checking our Twitter (@standrewsce) and class pages on the school website (<https://www.st-andrews-worsley.salford.sch.uk/year-3/>) as this is an excellent way in which we can pass on information to you and you can keep up to date with what the children have been doing.

Times Tables Rock Stars

There is now more emphasis placed upon children's ability to recall the multiplication tables. It is really important that the children have regular practice of their times tables. **Children should be using Times Tables Rock Stars** each week to help recall their 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 8s and 10s from memory at increasing speed. The children have been provided with their individual login details and should now be familiar with accessing it via the app or through an internet browser. The children will be tested on their times tables each Friday.

Spelling Shed

Children should continue to ensure they regularly access Spelling Shed to practise their weekly spellings. Children will then be tested on these spellings every Wednesday. Prizes are given out within the school for children who access Spelling Shed the most – good luck!

Reading Books

The children have now been shown the procedure for changing their book and should be very familiar with this. There is an opportunity for children to change their reading book every day, once they have finished their current book. Although this will be monitored, it is the children's responsibility to do this. It is very important that children continue to read on a regular basis, to further strengthen their basic skills. Children must complete their current box before moving on to the next. It is important that they can answer comprehension questions about the text, rather than simply reading the book without any understanding and moving on to their next book.

PE and Swimming Kits

PE kits should be in school every week, lessons are on a Wednesday afternoon and kits should remain in all week. Swimming will continue to take place on a Wednesday afternoon. **The final swimming lesson for 3RW will be Wednesday 4th February. The first swimming lesson for 3K will be Wednesday 11th February and will continue each week until the end of the school year.** More information for 3K will be sent out nearer the time.

Homework

Both Maths and English homework booklets will continue to be sent home on a Friday for Maths and Wednesday for English, with the homework due in by the following Friday and Wednesday respectively. The homework has so far been completed to a high standard and we look forward to this continuing. Please remember that for each homework booklet, children will continue to be given a **specific page** to complete which focuses on current learning and will not necessarily be in page order.

Topics This Term

Throughout the year your child will be taught Maths and English on a daily basis. Below is a list of subjects and topics that we will be covering this term.

| Subject | Spring 1 | Spring 2 |
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| Maths | Multiplication and division Length and perimeter | Length and perimeter Fractions Mass and capacity |
| English | Instructions Alternative traditional tales Speech | Non-chronological reports Play scripts Poetry |
| Science | Plants | Rocks |
| Computing | Scratch and comparable databases | |
| RE | Hinduism in Britain | Easter - Joy and sadness |
| History/Geography | Greater Manchester | Greater Manchester |
| Art/DT | | DT- Pneumatic toys Art- Drawing |
| Music | Play and perform Voices/musical instruments | |
| PSHE | Mental and physical health | Mental and physical health |
| PE | Swimming 3RW Gymnastics | Swimming 3K Gymnastics |
| MFL | | French – School and weather |

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Rowlands, Mrs Watson and Mrs Kirkpatrick