

# 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

### Y3T

**Teacher:** Ms Taylor

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

### Y3J

**Teacher:** Miss Jackson

**Teaching Assistants:**

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

### Y3F

**Teacher:** Mr Frampton

**Teaching Assistants:** Ms Myers.

## Autumn 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.

### Autumn 1

**English:** Narrative – Setting and character descriptions

**Guided Reading:** Fairy Tales

**Maths:** Numbers to 1000

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

**Computing:** Communicating Text and images – What makes a good poster?

**Geography:** UK cities and counties

**MFL:** Greetings

**Music:** Song structure

**PE:** Gymnastics – Pathways & Multi-Skills

**RE:** Festivals

**Science:** Rocks and Soils

**Personal Development** – Transition to DJS

### Autumn 2

**English:** Poetry and Non-chronological reports

**Guided Reading:** Fiction - *The Hodgeheg*  
Non-fiction – *Christmas around the world*

**Maths:** Numbers to 1000, addition and subtraction

**History:** Stone Age

**Art & design:** Sculpture – Stone Age Coil pots

**Computing:** Media (music)

**MFL:** Numbers

**Music:** Song structure

**PE:** Gymnastics - Bridges & target games

**RE:** Festivals

**Science:** Light

**Personal Development** – What makes a good friend?

## **Y3 Key events**

**Work Showcase mornings - feel free to pop in to your child's classroom at drop off – a few minutes is fine if you are in a rush**

**16.9.25** – Y3T Work showcase open morning

**17.9.25** – Y3F Work showcase open morning

**18.9.25** – Y3J Work showcase open morning

**10.10.25** – Outdoor Education day (provisional)

**14.10.25 & 15.10.25** – Parents' Evenings

**26.11.25** - Flu immunisation

**15.12.25** – Millhouses Church visit (provisional)

**19.12.25** - Christmas parties

## **Reading Volunteers**

**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 to discuss further.

## **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.

## **PPA**

This year, the Y3 teaching team will have their planning, preparation and assessment time on alternative 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**

Y3T will have indoor PE every **Thursday**  
Y3F will have indoor PE every **Thursday**  
Y3J will have indoor PE alternating between **Monday** and **Wednesday**.  
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.

## **Reading**

Please encourage your child to read with an adult at least 3 times per week for around 20 minutes. Your child will be able to bring home a reading book which is suitable for their age and stage of reading. They can also read the books on Bug Club. 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.

## **Home Learning**

This year, your child will 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.