

Brookland Junior School

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn Term 2025



'Kind, Respectful, Best'

Guided Reading

We will be concentrating on the skills of inference and focusing on vocabulary through various texts including 'Ocean meets the sky' and 'Charlie and the Chocolate factory'.

Handwriting

Children are encouraged to write in joined handwriting where possible.

Writing

Our writing will be based on the following texts during the Autumn term:

- The Tree and the River
- Mini Rabbit not lost
- The magic box poem
- Atlas of Adventures
- The Koala who could
- Incredible Job's you've probably never heard of



Maths

During this term, Year 3 will be covering a range of topics including:

- 2D/3D shapes
- Place value of numbers up to 1000.
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Telling the time to 5 minutes

To improve your child's confidence, they will benefit from home practise of:

- Playing quick fire games to add and subtract numbers up to 1000 mentally whenever possible.
- Telling the time to o'clock, half past, quarter to, quarter past and five minutes intervals
- Knowing their times tables for 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10

Science

The children will be learning about 'Animals, Movement and Nutrition. We will cover: The human skeleton, Muscles, Vertebrates and Invertebrates and Endoskeletons and exoskeletons.

In Autumn 2, the children will be learning about 'Forces and Magnets'. We will cover:

- Pushes, pulls and twists
- Friction
- Magnetic and non-magnetic materials

Geography

Our first Geography topic this term is 'UK: London'. We will be comparing how London is different from Cheshunt.

History

Our second topic is 'Stone Age to Bronze Age'. We will be studying different aspects from this period of time and will be explaining how important the materials were for making tools and weapons and how this evolved in Great Britain and across the world.

RE

In Year 3, we study and learn about Islam and Christianity. In our RE lessons, we will be learning about Islam before half term. After half term, we will study a unit on Christianity and will be learning all about the trinity.

PSHE

Our PSHE lessons will focus on 'Being Me in my world' and looking at 'celebrating differences' in the second half of the term.

Art

During our art lessons this term, we will be focusing on Sculpture and 3D abstract shape and space. They will consolidate their knowledge on 2D and 3D shapes and will learn about how to make a structure that holds in 3D shape.

Design and Technology (DT)

During DT this term, we will be learning about wearable technology. The children will be learning about the history of digital products. They will be learning how to write a program that initiates a flashing LED panel, or another pattern, on the virtual micro:bit when a button is pressed.



Spanish

We will be learning how to use basic greetings in Spanish, ask somebody how they are feeling and reply when asked. They will also recall numbers 1-20 in Spanish.

Music

This term, we will be learning about how music is written down and playing in a band. We will learn about how Long and short (rhythm) and high and low (pitch) sounds can be represented by musical symbols.

PE

We will be covering the following units in PE:

- Tag Rugby/Dance
- Netball/Gymnastics



Home Learning

Year 3 home learning will be reading (a minimum of 10 minutes at least 3 times a week).

We will set a spelling focus for the week or set SPAG homework in their English grammar books.

We will also set maths homework in their Maths CGP books which will be sent home every Friday. We will go through the answers with the children every Thursday.

Reminders

PE lessons are on **Mondays and Tuesdays** every week. Please ensure the correct PE uniform is worn into school for these days.

Reading books and reading records must be brought in **everyday**. We will change books every Tuesday and Friday.

All children's belongings, including items of clothing, are the children's responsibility, and should be **clearly named**.

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school everyday.

Communication with teacher

If you have any queries or concerns about any aspects of the curriculum or your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher via the class email:

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