



Year 3 termly information sheet

Welcome to the Autumn Term

We hope you find the following information useful.

Our class teachers and TAs are Ms D'Souza and Mrs Majumder (Amber) and Miss Hobbs and Mrs Davies (Vermillion).

On Wednesday afternoons, the children will be taught by Mr Allen for PE and Mr Bushell for computing.

Every Monday, the children will learn to play the recorder with Miss Sazanova (recorders are provided by the school). Please encourage your child to practise their recorder at home and bring it in for the lessons each week.

P.E. is on Mondays and Wednesdays for both classes. Please ensure P.E. kits are labelled and kept in school for the whole half term.

Please can you send your child to school every day with a vegetable or piece of fruit for a mid-morning snack and a named water bottle. Other snacks are not allowed.

Please read at least 3 times per week with your child and use the homework diary to record when you hear your child read. Please ask your child questions about the story or the vocabulary to support their understanding. If your child is reading a purple band book or above, they must read the book at least once at home before books are changed. If they are reading any other colour books, please read the book at least twice. Bring books to school every day.

Homework will be set on Fridays and can be found at the front of yellow homework books. Please support your child to complete this neatly and encourage the correct pencil grip and letter formation. Spellings will be sent home on a Friday and tested the following Friday.

How you can help at home:

- Listen to your child read at least 3 times a week
- Ask questions about what they have read (Who? What? When? Why? How?)
- Encourage your child to practise their weekly spellings
- Practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables from Year 2
- Begin to learn the 3, 4 and 8 times tables for Year 3.

- Have a look at our class blog on a Friday to see what your child has been learning that week in school. <https://albancityschool.org.uk/Year-3-Amber-and-Vermillion/>

Please do not hesitate to speak to us at any time during Soft Start or after school in the playground or via the office.

We are looking forward to working with your child this term.

Best wishes,

The Year 3 team

English

Our texts are How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth and The Stone Age Boy

When reading, use evidence to help explain

Create settings and characters in stories

Explore using a range of conjunctions to join ideas together

Write in a range of non-fiction genres including instructions

Later in the term we will be using The Mousehole Cat by Antonia Barber to build our vocabulary and improve our descriptive writing.

Maths

We are going to revisit place value and build upon adding and subtracting 3 digit numbers as well as build on our knowledge of times tables.

Towards the end of term, we will be learning about angles, 2D shape and perimeter.

Science

We are going to learn about rocks, fossils and soils. We will compare rocks and describe how fossils are formed. In the second half of the term, we will be learning about animals and humans: what they eat and the bones in a skeleton and how muscles work.

P.E

Gymnastics, yoga, football and fitness.

R.E

Describe and make connections about beliefs and practices in Christianity and Islam.

History

The Stone Age, Iron Age and the Celts. Stone Age Day on 18th September.

Understand chronology. Make predictions and ask questions.

Describe similarities, differences and changes.

Art

Exploring the work of the artist Laura McKendry and using charcoal to create art. After half term we will be looking at colour and shape and the artist Henri Matisse.

PSHE

We are learning about the importance of building relationships and how the world around us is impacted by our actions.

Music

We will be learning how to hold the recorder, how to play the notes B,A,G, and how to read simple musical notation.

Spanish

Common phrases, greetings and sounds

Numbers 1-20

Computing

Learn about green screens and explore sequencing and inputs in programming.



50 Recommended Reads for...

Year 3 (ages 7-8)

✓ Which ones have you read?

Favourite Storytime Books

- ☐  **The Wild Robot**
Peter Brown
- ☐  **A Mermaid's Diary**
Chris Riddell
- ☐  **The Creakers**
Tom Fletcher & Shane Devries
- ☐  **The Boy Who Grew Dragons**
Andy Shepherd & Sara Ogilvie
- ☐  **Scarlet: Defender of the Universe**
James Davis & Dotty Sutton

Animal and Nature Stories

- ☐  **Pia's Pet Club: Puppy Problem**
Serena Patel & Emma McCann
- ☐  **Finding Hope**
Nicola Baker
- ☐  **The Appletree Animal Agency**
Katya Balen & Gill Smith
- ☐  **The Royal Rabbits: Escape from the Tower**
Santa Montefiore, Simon Sebag Montefiore & Kate Hindley
- ☐  **An Otter Called Pebble**
Helen Peters & Ellie Snowdon
- ☐  **Benji's Emerald King**
Ewa Jozefkowicz

Classic Stories

- ☐  **Charlotte's Web**
E. B. White & Garth Williams
- ☐  **The Iron Man**
Ted Hughes & Chris Mould
- ☐  **The Worst Witch**
Jill Murphy
- ☐  **Varjak Paw**
SF Said & Dave McKean

World Stories

- ☐  **Nikhil and Jay: Off to India**
Chitra Soundar & Soofiya
- ☐  **Gregory Cool**
Caroline Binch
- ☐  **You Decide Your Adventure**
Bear Grylls
- ☐  **Saving Sorya**
Nguyen Thi Thu Trang & Jeet Zdung

Mystery and Magic Stories

- ☐  **Kate on the Case**
Hannah Peck
- ☐  **Libby and the Parisian Puzzle**
Jo Clarke & Becka Moor
- ☐  **The Shop-Witch's Quest**
Aisha Bushby & Patri de Pedro

Funny Books

- ☐  **The Great Crisp Robbery**
Pamela Butchart & Thomas Flintham
- ☐  **Charlie Changes into a Chicken**
Sam Copeland & Sarah Horne
- ☐  **Dave Pigeon (Kittens!)**
Swapna Haddow & Sheena Dempsey
- ☐  **Pizzaz vs Everyone**
Sophy Henn
- ☐  **The 13-Storey Treehouse**
Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton

Graphic Novels

- ☐  **Pablo and Splash: Frozen in Time**
Sheena Dempsey
- ☐  **Dadbot**
Jack Noel
- ☐  **Dog Man**
Dav Pilkey
- ☐  **Peng and Spanners**
Steve Webb
- ☐  **Supa Nova**
Chante Timothy

Picturebooks

- ☐  **Faruq and the Wiri Wiri**
Sophia Payne & Sandhya Prabhat
- ☐  **Wonder Goal!**
Michael Foreman
- ☐  **Adoette**
Lydia Monks
- ☐  **The Three Billy Goats Gruff**
Mac Barnett & Jim Klassen

Poetry

- ☐  **Out Of This World**
Michael Rosen & Ed Vere
- ☐  **Zooming the Zoo**
John Dougherty & Tom Morgan-Jones
- ☐  **The Shape of Rainbows**
Neal Zetter & Will Hughes

History

- ☐  **The Boy Who Stole the Pharaoh's Lunch**
Karen McCombie & Anneli Bray
- ☐  **The Time Machine Next Door: Scientists and Stripy Socks**
Iszi Lawrence & Rebecca Bagley
- ☐  **I Flew Around the World**
Zara Rutherford
- ☐  **Myths, Mummies and Magic in Ancient Egypt**
Stephen Davies & Nuria Tamarit
- ☐  **The Corinthian Girl**
Christina Balit

Non-Fiction Books

- ☐  **The World's First Human Cannonball and Other Incredible Jobs!**
Mike Barfield & Franziska Hollbacher
- ☐  **Antarctica**
Dr Helen Scales, Dr Katharine Hendry & Romolo D'Hipolito
- ☐  **The Street Beneath My Feet**
Charlotte Guillian & Yuval Zommer
- ☐  **How to Build a Racing Car**
Fran Scott & Paul Boston
- ☐  **A Day in the Life of an Astronaut, Mars and the Distant Stars**
Mike Barfield & Jess Bradley
- ☐  **MEGA**
Jules Howard & Gavin Scott



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