

Year 3 Autumn Term 1 2021 Curriculum Newsletter



Welcome to Year 3!

I hope you've all had a fantastic summer and I'm looking forward to a great year with the children. If you ever need to get in contact, please email me at katie.kelly@benrhydding.bradford.sch.uk and I'll endeavour to respond as promptly as I can.

English



I don't want to spoil the surprise of our English class book yet (and the children have a few prediction tasks to complete first) but we will be focusing on reading comprehension skills as well as working on fluency and expression when reading aloud. We will also be reviewing writing skills taught in Year 2 to ensure the children can use them confidently and consistently; these will include noun phrases, conjunctions, different punctuation and tenses.

Maths

This half term, we will be focusing on place value and then we'll begin to look at addition and subtraction. We will also ensure the children are confident with recalling number bonds for numbers within 20.



Topic



Traders or Raiders?

This half term, Year 3 and 4 will learn about the Vikings and Anglo Saxons. They will be asked the following questions:

- *Who were they?*
- *Where did they come from?*
- *Why did they come?*
- *What did they do?*
- *What legacy did they leave?*

Science

How can Usain Bolt move so quickly?

This half term we will be learning about the importance of nutrition and how our bodies move. The children will be asked:

- *How do we get the right nutrition for our body?*
- *Why do we need skeletons and muscles?*
- *Do animals all have the same skeleton?*



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PE



Our P.E days are **Monday and Tuesday**. Children need to attend school on these days in their school uniform P.E kit.

French

Year 3 children will begin their first formal French lessons with plenty of interactive oral work: greetings, asking and giving names, asking each other how they are, and learning some basic French classroom language.



Homework



Google Classroom

Google Classroom: Every **Friday**, I will set a homework task on Google Classroom. This will primarily be a maths task but could also involve other subjects. The children will need to hand in this homework task by the following **Wednesday**. If you are struggling to access Google Classroom, please get in touch.

Spellings: I will send home a list of spellings every **Friday**. They will all involve Y3 spelling rules and it's really important the children know the meaning of the words as well as how to spell them so they can then use them in their writing effectively.

I will always send home an activity they can complete that is linked to the spelling rule and I've also printed out some 'Spelling Menus' which include some fun ways to practise spellings. You **DO NOT** need to hand anything in and spellings will be tested in school on a **Thursday**.

Reading: Book exchange will take place on a **wednesday**. We are now reintroducing the reading records so please write a comment in it each week to keep us in the loop about their reading at home and send this into school on a Wednesday. At this age, we would still expect children to read aloud to an adult at least three times a week and it would be great if you could ask questions to ensure they are understanding what they are reading.

Water bottles

Please ensure your child brings a **filled water bottle** with them to school every day. This should be one that stays in the classroom for the day and not one from their packed lunch.



*Thank you for your continued support.
Yours sincerely,*

Miss Kelly

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Dates for your Diary

Thursday 30th September: Y3 and 4 Trip to Murton Park

Thursday 7th October: Individual Photos

Friday 22nd October: School Closes for Half Term

Monday 1st November: School Opens for Autumn 2