

Meet the Teacher Information Year 3.

Our team

Mrs Hedley (Mon - Weds and Fri), Mrs Langley (Thursdays)

Mrs Carter (TA) Mrs McConnell (PPA cover) Mrs Wilson (Reading)

Your Child

Our most important job is to make sure that your child is happy, safe and confident at school. We achieve this through:

- Our high expectations for behaviour and learning.
- Weekly PSHE lessons (Personal, Social, Health and Economic wellbeing) and an inclusive, caring and positive classroom culture.
- Rewarding the children. E.G the golden book, house points and class dojo points.
- Appropriate and proportionate sanctions when necessary.
- Recognising the need for learning to be fun and the importance of games and play.
- Through effective and positive communication with you.

Communication

We will use letters, Class Dojo and Teachers2Parents (text and email) to send messages and to share information. If you haven't connected to Class Dojo yet, please do. If you are having issues connecting, please come and ask us and we will help you get set up.

For anything that requires an urgent answer or issues of a serious nature, please do not use Class Dojo messenger as we may not be able to check it every day.

If you have any concerns or questions, it's best to catch us in person, let the office know or pass on a message to staff at the door in the morning.

English

What can I encourage in my child's writing at home?

To think of the beginning, middle, end sounds in words

To use finger spaces

To use capital letters

To use full stops

To form letters correctly and use correct pencil grip

Spelling/Phonics/Reading

Please see separate reading letter.

Phonics Screening Check.

In June, children will undertake a statutory assessment called the phonics screening check. This consists of 40 words (20 real and 20 nonsense). For the past few years, the pass mark has been 32 out of 40.

Maths

We use the White Rose Maths as a basis for our maths lessons. The scheme has been developed to effectively develop fluency (ease and confidence,) with maths concepts. It is also excellent at giving the children lots of opportunities to solve problems and reason about what they have learnt.

PE

PE days for Autumn A - Mondays and Tuesdays

On PE days, please ensure children come to school dressed in their PE kits.

Please ensure long hair is tied up and it is safest if earrings are removed. If earrings cannot be removed, children must come to school with the earrings covered with tape or have tape in school to put on themselves.

Topics, Trips and New Experiences

We have six interesting and engaging topics throughout the year. Our Long term plan is available on the school website.

We will go on our annual theatre trip in December. I am hoping to book Beamish and Alnwick Castle for 2025. There will also be local area walks throughout the year.

Our theme days in Year 1 are in Spring A (jobs day) and Summer A (medieval topic). We will send more information about costumes etc nearer the time.

Choices Homework

We realise that families have very busy lives and we hope that our system will allow you to get involved in your child's education without it becoming a burden.

*Your child will be given a sheet each half term with 10 homework challenges on it from across the curriculum. We would like you to choose **at least 2** in the half term but feel free to do as many as you want.

* We will send home a book for those who prefer to work on paper. The choices sheet will be stuck inside the book. It will also be posted as an activity on class dojo so you can decide what best suits your child.

*If you have a busy week, do not feel that you need to squeeze homework into it! When you have a less busy week, choose one of the homework challenges to complete and submit it on class dojo or return the homework book.

*Each activity will be posted separately on class dojo and we have chosen the most obvious way to record it whether that is by text, photo or video. However, feel free to present it however you would like to.

*If you want to use a mixture of class dojo and homework book that is fine.

*Homework maybe submitted whenever it is completed.

* Each completed homework earns 5 class dojo points which the children can spend or save for a variety of rewards.

Other bits and pieces!

Please ensure your child's name is in their clothing - especially jumpers. Please check on a regular basis as names wash off!

Please send a water bottle every day.

Free fruit is provided. You may choose to provide a daily snack from home if you prefer. (Fruit or veg only).

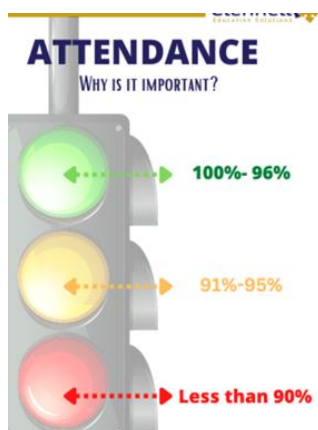
We need prior notification from you if somebody else is picking up your child at home-time, even if it is a parent from the same class. Just let us, the office or the staff member on the door in the morning know. Please do not be offended if we check this as it is part of our safeguarding procedures. If it is a repeat arrangement just let us know and we won't need to check each time.

We hope this information has been useful.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Hedley and Mrs Langley



Attendance Percentage	Days missed over a school year
100%	0 days
95%	10 days
90%	20 days
85%	30 days
80%	40 days

