



Year 3 Newsletter

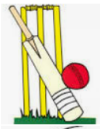
Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly to keep you up to date.

Friday 1st May 2026

Welcome to the Year 3 newsletter and welcome to the final term in year 3! A very busy term awaits us and hopefully the children will have some great fun over the coming months. Read on to see what we have been up to so far since we returned after Easter.

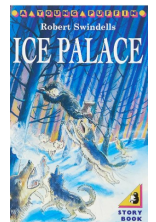
P.E

In PE this term, we are learning how to play cricket with some expert coaching from the Northumberland Cricket Association. In the second half of this term, a selection of children will be selected to represent Southridge against schools from the local area! In our other PE lesson, we are working on lots of athletic skills such as throwing, running and jumping!



English

In English, we continue to explore our quest story 'Ice Palace' By Robert Swindells. Over the coming weeks, we will be writing our own quest stories taking ideas and vocabulary from our chosen text. We will be focussing on building complex sentences as well as using speech dialogue! The children are really enjoying this unit so far!



Art

In our art lessons, we have started our new topic - 'Coasts'. The children have been colour mixing and have also been looking at the stunning work of local artist Emily Ward. We hope to visit our beautiful coastline at some point over the coming weeks so that we can create coast inspired works of art of our own!

Emily Ward - Holy Island



Maths

In our maths lessons, we have been tackling the tricky concept of telling the time in both the 12 hour and the 24 hour format from both analogue and digital clocks! This is certainly a difficult concept, but as always the children have approached the topic with enthusiasm and have made some excellent progress as a result! Please continue to practise at home - we can see that lots of children now have watches which is fantastic to support them on their telling the time journeys! Scan the QR code to read more about the time with your child and have a go at the activities.



Planting

An exciting week at our raised beds as we planted our seeds from the lovely farmer Sam! As this is one of his main crops, he kindly shared some pea seeds with us and they're now tucked up in the soil ready to thrive and grow! A little different this year, year groups will focus on growing 1-2 vegetables in their own bed ready for the special farmer's lunch in July.



Proud to make a positive impact!

Dates for the diary

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday
Tuesday 5th May - STEM Week
Monday 11th May - Class photos
Wednesday 20th May - Big Maths Day
Thursday 21st May - Break up for half term
Friday 22nd May - Teacher Training Day
Monday 1st June - Summer 2 - return to school
Thursday 4th June - Y3 trip to Glendale Show
Monday 15th June 2pm - Sports Day



Friday Fun Run

We had SO much fun on Friday and the sun shone for us as we took part in our annual fun run! The children loved the obstacles along the way (the water pistols were a BIG hit!) and they all tried really hard to get round as many times as they could! Thank you for your support in raising sponsorship money for our new chosen charity this year, the Bobby Robson Foundation which supports cancer care and research.



Warm weather

As the sun shines on us this term, just a reminder to ensure all jumpers, cardigans and coats have names inside them. Children often take them off at playtimes and it is very difficult to ensure they go home with the right person if they are not named. Sun cream should be applied before school as we often spend time outdoors as part of our learning. Sending a sun hat with your child is also advised, they can keep it in their drawer during the day so it is always handy for them when we go outside. We appreciate your support with this.

