



ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Autumn 1 2026

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Y3 CURRICULUM CHRONICLE: AU1

Dear Year 3 families,

Welcome back to school and to Year 3! We hope you enjoyed the summer break and are looking forward to an exciting academic year ahead. We are looking forward to getting to know your children and settling them into the new routines of Key Stage 2.

This term's theme is 'Urban Jungle' which is a geography-led theme. We will conduct a study of our local area, specifically Gunwharf Quay Shopping Centre to investigate whether it has been a successful project. We will also visit Spinnaker Tower to get a bird's eye view to support our mapping skills. The trip will take place on Wednesday 23rd September and you will receive a separate letter with more details shortly.

This afternoon, at 3:15pm in the Year 3 classroom, I welcome you to a 'Meet the teacher' meeting to find out more about Year 3 and to get to know me.

As your children start Key Stage 2, some of the changes can be overwhelming. If you are worried about how well your child is settling or if you have any other concerns, please see us at the start or end of the school day. Our door is always open and we are keen to support your child to enjoy this year as much as possible. We have planned lots of exciting learning opportunities this year!

With kind regards,
Miss Clarke and Mrs Taylor
The Year 3 team

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 3rd Sept, 3.15pm

Meet the Teacher - in Y3 classroom

Friday 18th Sept, 9.00am

Start of Term Mass, led by Y6 - all welcome

Wednesday 23rd Sept

Y3 Trip to Gunwharf Quay & Spinnaker Tower

Monday 12th October, 2.30pm

Pet Blessing

PE & Outdoor Learning

Please ensure your child's PE kit is brought into school every Monday morning. Our PE day will normally be on a Thursday but we will take the opportunity to do PE whenever we can, no matter the day. PE kits will be kept in the children's lockers. Children can also bring in a separate pair of 'Outdoor Learning' trainers/wellies, which can get muddy in Forest School/on the field when the ground isn't suitable for school shoes. These outdoor trainers/wellies will be kept in the large box outside the classroom. Please ensure all items of kit are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Homework Expectations

Your child will bring home a spellings booklet, arithmetic booklet, reading diary and a card providing details on how to access your child's Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) account.

Spellings and arithmetic should be completed daily (Monday - Friday) as it is better to spend short but frequent amounts of time on revisiting these skills. Homework booklets will be checked every Monday morning.

Please record your child's daily reading in their reading diary. This should be a minimum of five times per week and reading diaries will also be checked on Mondays. If you would like any help or advice on creating a positive learning environment, please do speak to us.

Guided Reading

Your child will be bringing home a Horrid Henry book as part of this term's Guided Reading. Please support your child in completing their follow-up reading, outlined on their bookmark.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a clean, named and refillable water bottle each day.





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CURRICULUM INFORMATION

URBAN JUNGLE

English: Suspense Stories, Recounts and Poetry

Maths: Numbers to 1000; Addition and Subtraction

RE: Creation and Covenant

Science: Light and Dark

Geography: Local area study - Gunwharf Quay Shopping Centre & Spinnaker Tower

Design and Technology (DT): Shell structures

PDL: New Year New Class, British Values & Friendships

PE: Personal Skills: Footwork and Static Balance

Outdoor Learning: Nature

Computing: iProgramme

Music: Exploring Duration

French: En Class

