

Key dates for Autumn Term 2025

Wednesday 17th September: Year 3/4 Tatton Park trip
Thursday 25th September: Autumn Disco
Friday 26th September: Macmillian Coffee Morning
Wednesday 1st October: School Nurse drop in for parents
Wednesday 15th October: Individual Photo Day
Wednesday 24th October: Break up for Half term

Monday 3rd November: INSET Day
Tuesday 4th November: Start of Autumn 2
Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th November: Parents Evening
Friday 28th November: Christmas Fair
Friday 19th December: Break up for Christmas
Monday 5th January: Start of Spring 1

In the Autumn, when the weather is changing...

Autumn is nearly here! Please ensure your child brings a hooded coat to school every day. We take the children outside in all weathers, except absolutely torrential rain, so please send to school prepared!



Forest School Remember :

3/4TL have Forest School Autumn 1.

3/4C have Forest School Autumn 2.

3/4VR have Forest School Spring 1.

These sessions are on Monday afternoon, **Please send a coat and a change of shoes** (preferably wellies but certainly something waterproof!) **even if it is beautiful weather** in the morning as it is liable to change throughout the day at this time of year.

We go out for Forest School in all weathers except thunderstorms—so you need to be dressed appropriately!

Welcome to Year 3/4



ETCHELLS
Primary School



3-4C
Mrs Collins

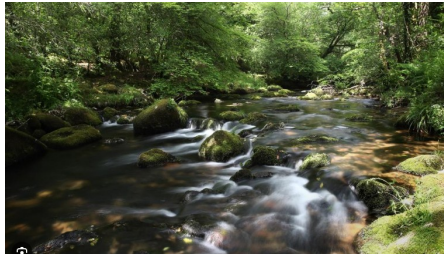
3-4VR
Mrs Vedvik and Miss Rehman

3 TL
Mrs Townend and Mrs Lambert

Welcome to Year 3/4

Curriculum

We do many exciting topics in Year 3/4 which enable us to cover all aspects of the curriculum. Our topic this term is Hunter-Gatherer or Farmer? This is a Science and History based topic in which we will be learning about life in Prehistoric Britain, rocks, fossils, volcanoes and earthquakes. To support this topic we will be reading the book "Stone Age Boy". In Science, we will be learning about how fossils are formed and about different rock types. In Geography, we will be locating volcanoes using an atlas and learning about how and why earthquakes occur. We will also be exploring the regions of the UK including mountains and rivers.

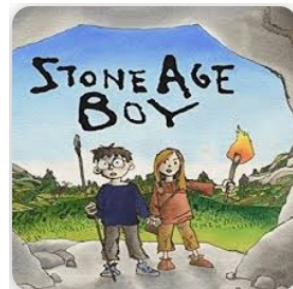


English

Our English will be based upon a range of books which we will read and explore in class. Using the books "Stone Girl, Bone Girl" (about Mary Anning, a famous fossil hunter from the 1800s) and "Stone Age Boy", we will be writing narratives, diaries and non-chronological texts.

Handwriting

We will be continuing to use the cursive script handwriting style. The children will have handwriting sessions in school and will be expected to use this joined handwriting in all their work.



Maths

In Year 3/4 we will be recognising the place value of each digit in a three and four digit number, adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing numbers with up to three or four digits. Within all areas of maths this year, there will be a greater emphasis on problem solving and reasoning.

Homework

Chilli Challenge - The children will be given a range of challenges from across the curriculum. They need to complete at least two of the challenges. You are welcome to share homework via portfolio on ClassDojo or send it into school.

Reading - Your child will read daily with us in a whole class reading session. Their independent book to share at home will be changed regularly. Please **ensure that you sign** in their reading diary each week when you have read with your child. Please aim to read with your child at least 3 times a week. It is so important that you read with your child at home and discuss the content of their books.

Spellings - In school, we will be teaching regular spelling lessons. If you wish to support your child you can use the 3/4 spelling words which are on our class webpage.

Times Tables - By the end of year 3 the children are expected to know the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables and division facts. By the end of year 4, they will take part in the national times table test and so need to be confident in all tables up to 12 x 12. Remember TT Rockstars is a fantastic resource and should be accessed at home on <https://trockstars.com/> at least 3 times a week.

Behaviour - We will still be using ClassDojo as our rewards system and our Bee Rules remain the same. These rules are displayed in the classroom:

1. Be kind
2. Be a good listener
3. Be hardworking
4. Be respectful
5. Be responsible

Dojo points will be given out when children go above and beyond the Bee Rules and Core Values.

We have added a Recognition Board to the wall of the classroom. Children will have their names moved to this board when they make good choices in regard to an agreed weekly focus, for example 'Be a good listener!'

Snacks

The children should bring a named, filled water bottle every day (water only). They can also bring a healthy snack at break time to eat in the playground. Lunch is at 12.20pm.

P.E.

Year 4 children will swim during the Autumn term, each Tuesday while Year 3 children will do an outdoor games lesson. Both Year 3 and 4 children will do an outdoor session on a Friday focusing on ball skills. Please ensure they wear their PE clothes (white top and black bottoms) on these days.

