



Year 3 Newsletter

Autumn 2—2026/2027

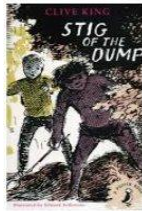


Notices and Reminders

Our PE day is Tuesday.
Please make sure that you come to school in your PE kit on that day.
Reading books and reading records should be in school every day, as well as water bottles and coats (if necessary).

Reading

The children will continue reading 'Stig of the Dump' by Clive King, a classic children's novel that explores how a young boy named Barney encounters a Caveman called Stig. The two quickly become friends and share a series of adventures together. The children will explore new language used in the book and engage in discussion about the text. They'll answer a range of comprehension questions.



Writing

This half term in writing, the children will be completing their learning on a monster tale. They will then be immersed in a non-chronological report on 'Dragons' and use this text to create their own version. Throughout, they will be exposed to a range of skills that will help them to develop their writing.



Key dates

Monday 2nd November – School term starts

Wednesday 4th November – Harvest Festival

Friday 13th November – School Disco

Monday 16th November – Flu Vaccinations

Friday 27th November – Stay and Read

Friday 4th December - Christmas Jumper Friday
(Children may wear a festive jumper instead of their usual school jumper or cardigan)

Saturday 5th December – HLSA Christmas Fair

Monday 7th December – Year 3 trip to Butser Farm

Friday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Friday

Monday 14th December – Phyllis Tuckwell Christmas Run

Wednesday 16th December – Christmas Lunch

Friday 18th December - Christmas Jumper Friday and Last Day of Term

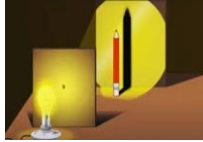
Maths

This term, the children will be continuing to work on their addition and subtraction skills. They will learn how to use a formal column method to support their addition and subtraction of 3-digit and 2-digit numbers. The children will also further improve their knowledge of the 3,4 and 8 multiplication tables.

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Science

In science this half term, the children will be learning about light. They will look at natural and artificial light, then they will go on to learn about shadows and light reflection. The children will be working like scientists to carry out investigations with shadows and reflective surfaces.



History

In history this term, the children will be learning about the Bronze Age and the Iron Age. This will include studying the development of tools and materials, agriculture, trade, language, early writing and religion. They will also be looking at the Beaker people who came from Europe and settled in Scotland.



DT

This half term the children will be learning about mechanical systems, in particular how pneumatic toys work. They will be researching, designing, making and evaluating their own products. The children will learn how to use a variety of tools and equipment to create a functional, appealing product.



PE

In PE this half term, the children will be exploring dance and developing a range of skills including flexibility, strength, control and balance. They will be performing dances including the hand jive and Rock 'n' Roll dances. The children will be using a range of movement patterns and evaluating these to see how they can improve upon their skills.



Computing

In computing this term, the children will be learning about networks, deepening their understanding of what the internet is. They will begin to identify the common features of a website before learning what a search engine is. The children will learn how to access safe search engine materials to develop an understanding of how to distinguish between reliable information and 'fake news'.



PSHE

In PSHE this term, the children will be exploring how to be a good friend. Within this, they will identify positive friendships and relationships in their lives and how friendships should make them feel. They will also consider their differences, both in personality and their opinions, and will explore how to respect others even when they disagree. Finally, they will learn how to collaborate.



French

In French this half term, the children will be learning the key phonemes of the French language to help them understand the correct pronunciation, when they are learning to speak it. As part of this they will learn songs and watch and listen to native French speakers, to ensure this is spoken as accurately as possible.



Suggested books for reading

