



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome to Spring Term 1 in Year 3 at Newhall Junior School. We hope that you and your children had a peaceful, relaxing break and we are excited to continue to work with the children in 2025.

Curriculum

This term we will be considering 'Which was more impressive – the Bronze Age or the Iron Age?' in History and we will be learning about 'Magnets and Forces' in Science, whilst we focus on 'Document Creation' using Power Point in Computing. We will consider our 'Dreams and Goals' in PHSE and we will ask 'Could Jesus heal people? Did he perform miracles or is there some other explanation?' in RE. In our PE sessions, we will practice dance and play basketball. In Maths, we will be focusing on 'Multiplication and Division', including with an exchange and without, before concentrating on 'Length and Perimeter'. We will be exploring the Digital World in DT, as we investigate different types of 'Wearable Technology'. We will be writing a news report based on 'Revolting Rhymes' by Roald Dahl before writing a quest story based on 'Beast Quest: Sepron the Sea Serpent' by Adam Blake. Please refer to the Curriculum Map, found on the school website, for further detail on your child's learning.

PE

PE this term will be on a Wednesday and Thursday. Thursday's session will be outdoors where possible so please can children be dressed to suit the weather. Children should be wearing their school PE kit – please refer to the uniform policy on the school website. Children also need to have hair tied back and have removed their earrings or be able to take them out themselves.

Homework and Weekly Tests

Homework this year will be to access Spelling Shed (<https://play.edshed.com/en-gb>) to practise spellings and Times Table Rockstars (<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>) to aid them in developing a rapid recall of multiplication facts. We ask that they complete these activities 4 times per week. This will be monitored by class teachers to ensure participation. Spelling tests will be on a Monday morning and new spellings will also be given out on a Monday.

Lost Property

To cut down on the amount of lost property each term, please could you ensure all items of your children's clothing is clearly labelled. This includes uniform, coats, lunch boxes and water bottles.

Reading

Your child is encouraged to bring their reading book home each day, along with their reading diary. Please set aside time at home for your child to read quietly or to an adult. Reading at home, when it is a regular habit, has a remarkable impact on reading progress. We ask that children read at least 4 times per week at home and that this is evidenced in their reading diary by an adult. We would also like to



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remind you that the children can access the Accelerated Reader quizzes from home too if they would like to.

Yours faithfully,
The Year 3 Team