



St John's Green Primary School

Learn to Live, Live to Learn

Year 3 Autumn Term 2026 – Curriculum Information

We ♥
Maths

We are all
writers ...

Reading
Is the
Key!

We are growing
our learning

SCARF Theme Before HT – Me and My Relationships. SCARF Theme after HT – Valuing Difference.

Rights Respecting Schools

Article 14 Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion.

Article 28 Every child has the right to an education.

Article 17 Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources.

Article 12 Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them.

Article 2 The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

English We will begin the year by focusing on Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG). We will look at how to use conjunctions correctly, how to express time using prepositions, using apostrophes for contraction and singular possession as well as writing in paragraphs. The children will then be writing about an alien crash landing, a set instructions inspired by George's Marvellous Medicine, followed by a Live News Report Speech, reporting on the impacts of George's medicine on Grandma and the animals. After half term, we will be writing: - A story with a historical setting linked to our learning on Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. - An advert selling a pet, linked to The Diary of a Killer Cat. - Rhyming poems, based on Roger McGough. We will then end the term by reading a selection of Christmas Stories and allowing the children to create their own Christmas World. In reading, we will focus on discussing texts that we have shared together and developing our understanding on what we have read. We will check reading records on Fridays (where possible) – we ask that children read five times per week and have their parent/carer log this for them. Children who read 5 times a week at home make the most progress! In handwriting, we will learn how to form lower case letters in the correct direction and begin to join letters.	Mathematics The children will learn place value for 1s, 10s and 100s and be able to compare and order numbers to 1,000. They will also be learning about addition and subtraction – they will work with 2-digit and 3-digit numbers, crossing the tens and hundreds barrier. To do this, they will use Base Ten, pictorial representations and the formal column method. They will also learn to estimate and check their answers using the inverse method. The children will also learn more about multiplication and division – specifically a recap of 2x, 5x and 10x and moving on to 3x, 4x and 8x tables. They will use this knowledge to solve division questions too. Computing The children will be learning about internet safety; they will learn how to protect and manage their online identity and how we can keep ourselves safe. In Computing, the children will be working on creating an animation using the Scratch app; they will learn how to create algorithms, identify patterns as well as design and create a program. They will also create a sequence of code and evaluate their program.	Science The children will be learning about different skeletons and comparing the similarities and differences of different animal groups. They will then reflect on the purpose of these different bones and joints. They will then move onto nutrition and diet to learn about the different food groups and what constitutes a healthy diet. We will also look at food waste and what we can do to reduce it. To finish up the term, we will be investigating different types of rocks, grouping them together and investigating their properties. SCARF In the first half term, we will be focusing on "Me and My Relationships" which will involve thinking about how to solve a problem, looking after our special people and engaging in team challenges. In the second half term, we will be focusing on "Valuing Difference" such as how to show respect to family and friends as well as celebrating differences in our community.
Physical Education (PE) In PE we will be focusing on the skills required to play team games, including tag rugby and football. Skills will include passing, catching, dribbling and controlling the ball, defending and attacking techniques and how to score. The children will also be developing the fundamental skills of balancing, running, jumping, hopping and skipping. They will be practicing a variety of activities which will help them improve their balance and control.	Geography In Geography we will be learning about how we can represent our local area. We will link our history topics to our local area where possible too! The children will use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features of the local area, using a range of methods, including sketching, maps, plans, graphs and digital technology.	History In history, the children will learn about the Stone Age and Bronze Age. Children will focus on community as a concept – looking at how the people lived and organised their society. We will discuss what we can learn from the way people lived during these times. Children will develop an understanding of historical enquiry and how we know about the way of life of people so many thousands of years ago.
Art In Art, the children will discover how to make drawings that capture a sense of drama or performance using charcoal. The children will learn that when we draw, we can use gestural and expressive marks, that we can move around when we draw and when we draw, we can use light to make our subject matter more dramatic.	Design & Technology In D.T, the children will be learning about seasonal foods, and using their understanding to create a seasonal food tart. They will be able to explain that fruit and vegetables grow in different countries based on their climates and understand that seasonal foods grow in a given season. They will also learn that eating seasonal food positively affects the environment.	Religious Education In RE, the children will be answering the philosophical questions 'How do people express commitment to a religion or worldview in different ways?' and 'What is Trinity?' They will explore different religious and non-religious world views.
Forest School During our Forest School sessions, the children will have the opportunity to learn to make a fire. They will also learn to make butter to enjoy with their 'bread on a stick' which they will cook at forest school. The children will make their own necklaces and fairy dens from the natural materials around them. They will have the opportunity to explore the mud area, the lazy river, mini-beast hunting, rope skills and den building. All the while, encouraging them to develop a love and appreciation for the natural world.	Music In year 3, we will be listening and appraising different songs each lesson to broaden their knowledge of genres and use musical vocabulary to describe them. The children will be singing songs as well as learning to play alongside on the glockenspiels and recorders and develop their skills for improvising to a piece of music. The children will also take part in weekly singing assemblies with Mrs Rowe, our music lead.	Modern Foreign Language – Spanish In Year 3, the children will begin to learn Spanish. In this term, they will be focusing on the phonics and pronunciation of words. They will begin to get to grips with some common Spanish phrases and words, including basic greetings, ask someone their name and how they are feeling, numbers and colours.