



CLASS: Y3 ELM AND Y3 WILLOW

Learning Letter SUMMER TERM 2025

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MISS STEVENSON

We are now looking ahead to our final term in Y3, which will be full of exciting learning opportunities and challenges. A huge thank you to all families for their continued support - we look forward to working together this term.

We are thrilled to welcome Miss Stevenson to our Y3 team. She will be based primarily in Willow class, but will work across both classes to support the children.

General reminders

A reminder that Year 3's day starts at **8.45 am** and finishes at **3.25 pm**. At home time, please support us in ensuring that your child is sent home safely by standing at the **back of the playground** whilst the children are dismissed. Staff will then send the children to the adult (**must be 16 or over**), who has come to collect. If somebody different is collecting your child on a particular day, whether this is a one-off or a long standing arrangement, then please let us know via the school office.



Please note that, apart from PE days, full school uniform should be worn. Uniform can be ordered at www.schooltrends.co.uk

Year 3 Updates

Our PE days will be Tuesdays and Wednesdays, for the Summer Term. The Tuesday PE session will be taught by Mr Pope, with class teachers delivering the Wednesday session.

Take a look at our [Class Dojo story](#), to see what we have been working on in class.

On the days that your child has a PE lesson, your child can come into school dressed in the **correct PE kit** as below. On all other days when your child does **not** have a PE lesson, your child **must wear full school uniform and black, closed toe school shoes.**

On the days when your child has a PE lesson, your child should come to school dressed as follows:

- Navy blue PE T-shirt (as now)
- Navy blue PE shorts (as now)
- Usual school navy blue (Y3 - Y5) or purple (Y6) sweatshirt with school logo
- Navy blue, plain, full length jogging pants or thick, black full length leggings
- Plain white or white sports socks
- Trainers (ideally these should be plain black but your child will be able to wear the trainers that they have worn in their PE lesson so far this term). **Football and other types of sports boots are not allowed for PE lessons**
- All hair that is long enough should be tied up with a blue, black or brown bobble
- Jewellery, including earrings, is not allowed. A watch can be worn.

Reading

We continue to have a big focus on reading in Year 3, as this is vital for your child's progress across the curriculum.

Our school expectation is that children read at home a minimum of three times per week and that reading records are signed by an adult to reflect this.

Please ensure that reading books and reading records are returned to school daily, as this will help us to monitor your child's progress.

Children will also continue to take part in four guided reading sessions per week. These group sessions will ensure that your child is reading a variety of texts, matched closely to their reading level and gaining invaluable reading skills and a love of reading. Reading for pleasure also continues to be promoted at Lowerhouse Junior School.



Mathematics

This term we will continue to use the Red Rose Mastery approach in all lessons, which the children have adapted well to last term.

Our Maths units in Summer 1 will cover Addition & Subtraction, Multiplication & Division, 2D Shape, Decimal Place Value, and 3D Shape. In Summer 2 we will cover Place Value, Calculation, Fractions, Statistics, and Time.

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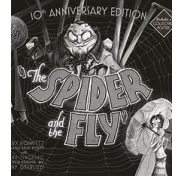
Please encourage your child to continue to use Times Tables Rock Stars to help with the number facts. Log-in details for your child will be found in the front of their reading record book.



English



Summer 1 will see us finishing our work on Romans, with a narrative unit on Boudicca. After half term we will move on to an integrated unit on The Spider and The Fly, which will see us writing reports, menus, persuasive letters, story openings and narratives, based on the classic poem.



This term we will continue our work on the Y3 Red Rose Spelling Programme. We feel that this has been hugely successful, and have seen great progress in terms of the children's day-to-day spelling as well as understanding and ability to apply the Y3 spelling rules. There will continue to be no formal spelling test. Instead, there will be an activity sent home each week for you to complete with your child. This will be linked to the spelling focus for that week. Thank you for your continued support with this.

Handwriting will continue to be taught weekly, with a focus on correct letter formation, joins and legibility.

Science

This half term our science focus will be Plants. We will be conducting lots of practical activities to support our learning. After half term, we will be learning about Light and Dark.

Geography

This half term we will be learning about Biomes. We will find out what biomes are and locate them on maps, create our own fact files, compare biomes, and look at how humans use natural resources from them.

History

Our topic for Summer 2 is all about the Ancient Greeks. We will be focusing on life, achievements and leadership skills of Ancient Athens and Sparta.

HOMework

Following our updated school policy, we would like all children to read at home a minimum of three times per week, complete their weekly spelling task, and continue to learn and practise their times tables.

[Take a look at our Class Dojo story, to see what we have been working on in class.](#)

Other exciting areas of our curriculum

Here at Lowerhouse Junior School we provide a broad and balanced curriculum and provide our children with as many learning opportunities as possible.

- All children will continue to take part in a weekly French lesson, taught by Mrs McMeekin
- PSHE is taught weekly, with a range of discussions and activities taking place. We will also be working on our Linking Network project within PSHE
- RE is taught weekly, in both classes.
- Weekly Computing sessions will also take place, focusing on Year 3 skills.
- Weekly Music sessions will also take place, using the Charanga scheme.
- All children will take part in collective worship, assemblies and achievement assemblies on a weekly basis.
- Our Art focus this half term is digital art, looking at David Hockney's iPad art. After May half term we will be looking at Food Technology in D.T.

Extra Information

Thank you again for your support during your child's first two terms at Lowerhouse. Please communicate with school should you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning or any other issue. This can be done by contacting the school office by telephone or email (admin@lowerhouse.lancs.sch.uk) to arrange a telephone call or meeting with your child's class teacher.

Please check the school website and Class Dojo regularly for updates, particularly your child's class page.

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