

Welcome to Year 3



Information for Parents

Year 3 Staff

Teachers:

Miss Barrett



Ms Miller



Miss Milward



Mrs Catherall



Mrs Byrne



Mrs Withers

Mrs Long

Support Staff:

Mrs Temple

Mrs Kemp

Mrs France

Mission Statement

We promote the aims, mission statement and Catholic ethos of the school and ask parents to support us with this.

Children follow the 'Come and See' teaching programme. This is slowly being replaced with a new scheme 'To know you more clearly'.

Gates open: 8.30am

Entry through classroom doors

Registration: 8.55 – 9.05

Finish: 3:15

Pickup from classroom doors

Curriculum Overview – Autumn Term

(also on Y3 class page on website)

Parents as Partners

This information will give you an idea of the work covered over this term. It will suggest activities that you can carry out at home, things to do and where you can go to find more information.

Come and See

Our first topic is 'Homes.' This topic explores life as a gift; myself as a unique and loved creation; the creative love and care that can be expressed in family groups. Our second topic is 'Promises,' focusing on promises. This explores the call to belong, the creative potential that belonging develops, and Baptism and Confirmation-sacraments of the gift of God's life and friendship. Our third topic is 'Visitors,' exploring visitors during the time of Advent/Christmas. We will focus on the capacity for entering into loving relationships, and the perfect gift and revelation of God's love, Jesus, born of Mary, born as one of us.

English - the children will be focusing on a number of books this term including:

Reading for Pleasure – where the children are taught to browse, develop preferences and experience the sheer joy of reading.

My Beautiful Voice and poems by Joseph Coelho- looking at the themes and issues in the book; finding out what a Children's Laureate is; creating our own poems.

Non-fiction texts – analysing non-fiction texts and creating our own text linked to our geography topic on Crosby.

'How the Grinch Stole Christmas' – the children will find evidence of how and why the Grinch stole Christmas and create a set of instructions accordingly.

Mathematics

Place value

- Numbers to 1000
- ▲ - Counting in 100s, 10s, 1s and 50s
- Counting in 4s and 8s
- Number patterns

Addition and subtraction

Multiplication and division.

Science- Animals, including humans – children will learn about the food groups, the foods they are found in and how these replenish the body. Children will learn about the skeleton and how muscles work.

Forces and Magnets – children will learn how magnets attract and repel different materials. They will also compare how things move on different surfaces.

Music- the children will be following the Charanga music scheme, encouraging them to explore composition, pitch, rhythm and tone.

MFL (Modern Foreign Languages)- the children will be taught basic Spanish words and phrases.

History- Ancient Egypt- Gods and Goddesses/Archaeology/ Tutankhamun's Artefacts and life on and around the River Nile.

Geography- a local study of Crosby and how the settlement has developed over time.

Art/ Design Technology- the children will explore and experiment with a range of techniques using charcoal and learn about the artist Edgar Degas. Linked to science, the children will be creating a healthy snack.

Computing- the children will be learning how to stay safe on the internet and how computer systems and networks work.

FINDING OUT MORE: The following websites may be of interest to you:

www.childrensuniversity.manchester.ac.uk/interactives/history/egypt

www.activityvillage.co.uk

www.ancientegypt.co.uk

www.theatkinson.co.uk/whats-on/

<http://www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk/wml/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Housekeeping

All school belongings should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

As children are no longer provided with a free fruit snack at playtime, we would encourage them to bring a healthy snack from home.

Your child's water bottle should be clearly labelled and brought into school every day. They are encouraged to drink water often throughout the day to stay hydrated.

We are extremely grateful for your support.

Kind regards,

The Year Three Team.

What is happening this term?

- Swimming – Thursday PM - 3C and 3M will attend until Feb half term. 3A and 3B will follow afterwards until the end of year.
- 13th December – 3M Rejoice
- Geography Field Trip – Dates tbc

PE – Monday and Thursday

Please come to school every Monday
and Thursday in your kit

Yellow top, navy shorts, dark tracksuit bottoms/hoody
No names/football kits

plasters over earrings (studs only)

*** Swimming – NO EARRINGS**

Homework

Daily Reading – Please listen to your child read daily. Use the Reading Card to record comments and ensure your child bring their book and card into school each day. Books will be changed and given out every Monday. Please send all books in every day. Some children are using Little Wandle books. These will be given out every Friday and should be returned to school on Monday. The children reading Little Wandle books can access them via the Collins' website and the log in details sent out last Friday.

Class Library books – Children will have access to the class library every day and should be shared with the child each evening and brought in and out of school every day.

Spellings –Your child will receive a hard copy each Wednesday to be practised along with their cursive handwriting please, and these will also be on Spelling Shed, where there will be a selection of games to encourage spelling skills..

Maths – TT Rock Stars and Manga High log in details will be sent home. Fluent in 5 arithmetic questions will be handed out each Wednesday and are to be returned the following Wednesday.

Handwriting – A handwriting booklet will be provided for you to help your child practise little and often.

Reading
At
Great Crosby Catholic
Primary School
Year 3



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"...that they may have life and have it to the full."

(John 10:10)



Reading Diary

Name:

Class:

Teacher:



Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee

Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk

Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq

Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww
Xx Yy Zz

Code of Conduct

At Great Crosby we:

“...that we may have life and have it to the full”

I will try my best in everything I do

I will be friendly and co-operative with others

I will treat everyone and my environment with respect

I will use good manners

I will be safe and sensible

I will speak to an adult if I am worried or feel unsafe

Going for Green

We have discussed the Code of Conduct in class and have explained that all rules come under the umbrella of:

- **Be Ready**
- **Be Respectful**
- **Be Safe**

Safeguarding

- We ask parents not to take photographs on school grounds or at any events.
- No vaping or smoking on school premises.
- Please don't enter classrooms – wait at door.
- No smartwatches.
- No phones.

Our day

8.30- 8.55 Children to arrive and complete a daily challenge independently

8.55 – 9.05 – Register, prayers and order of the day

9.05 – 9.30 – Phonics

AM Lessons – English and Maths

12.15 – 1.15 Lunch time

PM Lessons – A daily Reading Mastery lesson,
Collective Worship and throughout the week, the children will be taught a range of subjects including: Come and See, PSHE, Science, Geography, History, Art, PE, Music, Computing and D.T.

3.15 – Home time

Schoolgateway App



We have introduced School Gateway to Great Crosby – a parent/carer engagement app that will allow you to pay for school dinners, school trips and any other fees, and allow us to communicate with you efficiently.

School Gateway has replaced Pay360. All online payments will be made through this system. **If you pay for school dinners online, you should already have registered.** School Gateway will be replacing GroupCall in the new year.

Please download the app for free. Just search **School Gateway** in your App store and download. Your login details will be automatically generated using the contact information the school already has, so please make sure the details we hold for you are up to date.

You will open the app, click **Sign up**, enter the email address the school has for you, enter your mobile number, and click **Send PIN**. Wait for the text message with the PIN to arrive, enter your PIN and then you can log in. There is also a web-based version if you do not have a smart phone. Please use the app if possible as it makes it easier to get hold of parents/carers when we need to.

Regularly check our homepage: <https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/>

Follow us: **Twitter:** @greatcrosby **Instagram:** great.crosby.catholic.primary

Any question or problems at all - however small ...

Please let us know – we will always be happy to help.

Email us on admin.greatcrosby@schools.sefton.gov.uk and we will respond as soon as we can within our working hours.

If you have any issues regarding your child, in the first instance please speak to your class teacher.

Safe and Secure

Safeguarding and Child Protection Team

- Mrs Crann – Safeguarding Lead
- Mrs Morton – Designated Person
- Miss Sharrock – Designated Person
- Mrs Solkin – PSA & Designated Person

Online Safety

Our school website online safety pages have a huge amount of help.

For parents/carers: greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com > Parents/Carers > Online Safety

For children: greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com > Children > Online Safety

Safer Schools App



Stay in touch with up-to-date online safety and safeguarding issues. It links with our website too. Download from the App Store or Google Play. See our website for more joining details.

Social Networking Apps

Children **must be at least 13** to register on most social networking websites. Age limits are there to keep children safe so don't feel pressurised into letting younger children join these websites or use apps/games that are age inappropriate.

Gaming



Check the PEGI age rating of games. Please only let your child access games appropriate to their age. Please don't play your adult games with children. For in-game purchases, buy a gift card, don't link your bank card.

National Online Safety Guides

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

Live streaming, TikTok, WhatsApp, Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube plus advice about digital life conversations, buying and setting up devices and much more.

Next Steps

Have a conversation with your child about what they do online; have a family agreement; check that accounts are set to private; protect their personal information; think before you/they post; check your virus protection is up-to-date; check parental controls on YouTube, iPlayer, Netflix, Amazon Prime & other streaming services; consider filtering & blocking software; understand the laws; understand how to report and block and if an incident happens – save the evidence.