

Welcome to Year 3



Information for Parents

Year 3 Teachers:

Mrs Callaghan and Mrs Long 3CL

Mrs Malone 3M

Miss Coyne 3C

Mrs Bellamy and Mrs Kemp

(Teaching Assistants)

Great Crosby Catholic Primary School



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to the full." John 10:10

Mission Statement

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

Most children now follow the 'To know you more clearly' teaching programme. This has replaced the 'Come and See' scheme previously used.

Going for Green

▶ Be Responsible

▶ Be Respectful

▶ Be Resilient



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Code of Conduct

At Great Crosby we aim to:

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Be Responsible

- ▶ I will take responsibility for myself, my learning, my belongings and be a good example to others.
- ▶ I will make the right choices, take pride in all that I do and accept the consequences for my actions.
- ▶ I will speak to an adult if I am worried or feel unsafe

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Be Respectful

- ▶ I will be kind and fair and treat everyone and my environment with respect.
- ▶ I will be polite, listen and respond positively to others through my words and actions.

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Be Resilient

- ▶ I will believe in myself, try my best in everything I do and not give up.
- ▶ I will strive to achieve my goals and find solutions when things get tough.

Uniform

- White shirt and tie
- Green cardigan / sweat shirt
- Grey skirt / trousers / shorts
- White / grey socks/tights
- Black shoes (even in summer months)



Reminders:

- Label everything!
- Winter uniform to be worn by all children from 30th September

PE

Our PE days are Tuesday and Friday. Children must come to school on both of these days wearing their PE kit consisting of;

- A yellow PE t shirt
- A pair of navy/black shorts or joggers
- A school jumper or cardigan
- No branded clothing
- Label the PE kits, including shoes.

Swimming

- 3CL and 3C will swim every Friday until February half term
- 3M will swim after February half term
- The children will come to school in their PE kit and bring a swimming bag containing:
 - Swimming costume/ swimming trunks or jammers. No board shorts.
 - Cap
 - Goggles
 - No earrings (*requirement of Sefton Aquatics*)



School Day

- **Gates open: 8:35**

Entry through classroom doors

- **Registration: 8:45 – 8:55**

- **Playtime: 10:30-10:45 (Tuesday 11am)**

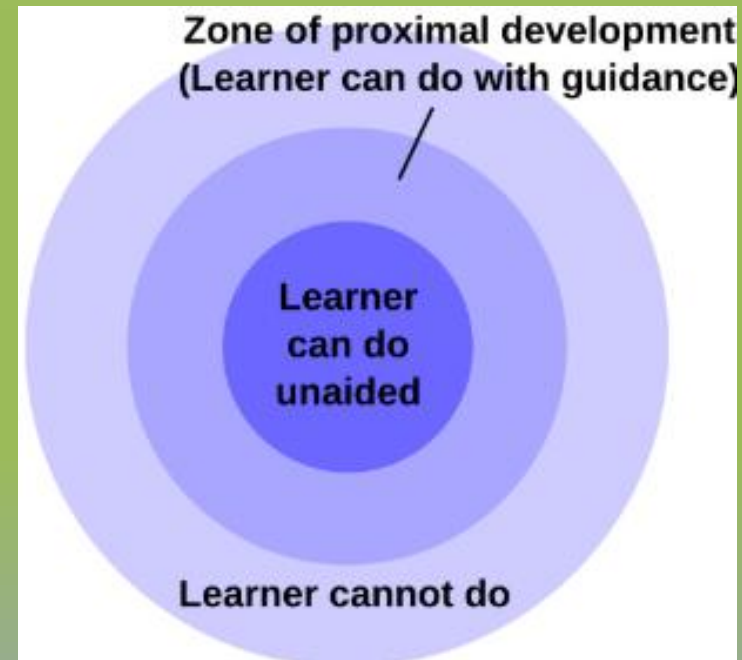
- **Lunchtime: 12:30-13:30**

- **Finish: 15.15** *Pick up at classroom doors*

Reading

The main ways of teaching reading in year three are:

- Reading books: Read supported by an adult
- Class library book: individual read
- Reading Mastery
- English lessons: Literacy Counts
- Classroom audio books



Reading books

- Class reading books will be changed on a Monday.
- Children should read these aloud to an adult at home.
- Please complete the reading record together after reading.
- Discuss the text with your child and ask questions
- When a child becomes a Free Reader they can choose a book from the class library as their reading book. These are then changed when required.
- Books to be brought into school daily.

Lime

White

Gold

Purple

Turquoise

Writing

- Research shows, reading more, will develop your child's writing.
- We follow Literacy Counts: Ready, Steady, Write
- Sentence accuracy
- Spellings
- Presentation and handwriting
- Help at home by creating writing opportunities for your child

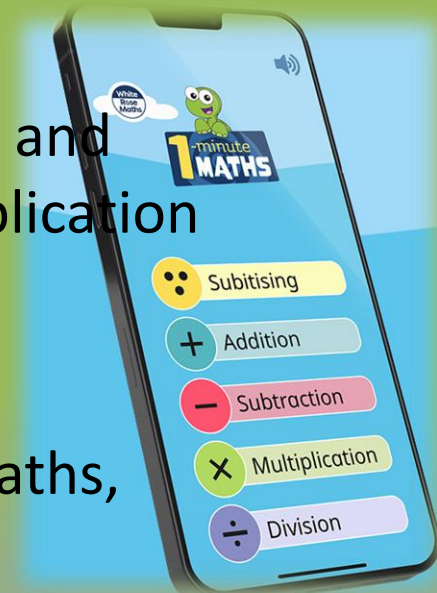


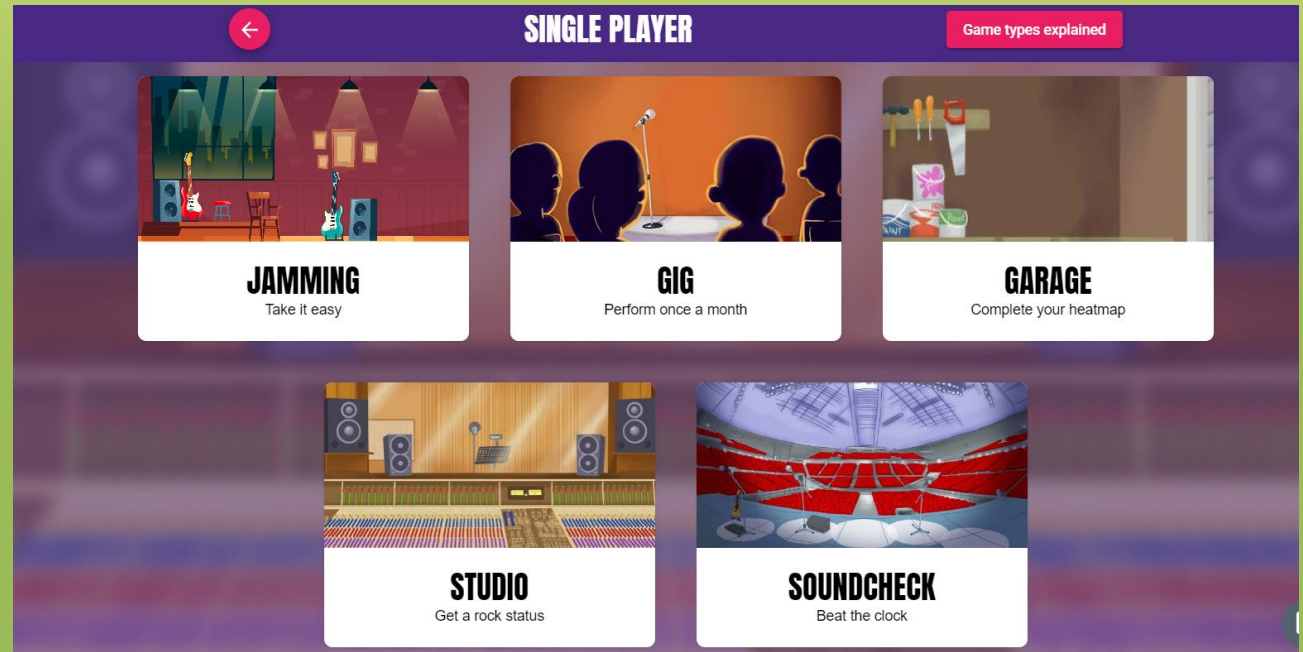
Spoken language

- Children write how they speak
- Lessons focus on whole class discussions, collaborative group work and partner discussions.
- We practice oral rehearsal of sentences
- Help at home by creating opportunities for uninterrupted conversations (e.g. dinner time, in the car, on the couch etc,) and by reading aloud with your child.

Maths

- We follow White Rose Maths scheme and Maths Mastery.
- In Year 3 the children explore addition and subtraction of 3 digit numbers using both mental and written methods.
- Big focus on multiplication and division – weekly multiplication tests later in the year.
- Help at home by: ensuring your child knows addition and subtraction facts to 20 and 100, and can recall multiplication facts from the 2,5,10,3,4 and 8 times tables.
- Useful apps and website: Hit the button, 1 minute maths, TTRockstars and topmarks.com





<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

Curriculum Overview

YEAR 3 AUTUMN CURRICULUM:

Religious Education: We follow 'To Know you More Clearly' and the topics we will study are;
- Creation and Covenant: We explore how God created our wonderful world and celebrate his creation.
- Prophecy and Promise: We look at the prophecy foretold of the coming of Jesus and look at ways we can prepare for His coming. We celebrate the season of Advent and focus on the important role of Mary.

English: We follow 'Ready, Steady, Write' and will be studying The Iron Man by Ted Hughes and Fox by Margaret Wild. We will also be exploring a range of other texts through our Reading Mastery lessons.

Mathematics: We follow 'White Rose' and will be studying the following topics;
- Place value of 2 and 3 digit numbers
- Addition and subtraction of 2 and 3 digit numbers.
- Multiplication and division for the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. Additionally, we will be learning strategies to multiply and divide a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number.

Science: Our topics this term are Animals and Forces and Magnets.

Geography: We follow 'Kapow' and this term our topic is entitled 'Are all settlements the same?'

History: This term our topic is 'The Ancient Egyptians.'

PE: Our PE days are **Tuesday and Friday**. On both of these days the children will be required to come to school in their full PE kit. On Fridays, **commencing Friday 12th September, 3C and 3CL will be going swimming**. We will be travelling to Crosby swimming pool by coach and Sefton Aquatics require that all children wear a **swimming costume or trunks, a swimming hat, goggles and no jewellery including earrings**. Children in 3C and 3CL should bring their swimming kit, along with a towel, to school on a Friday in a swimming bag. Please note that 3M will be going swimming after February half term.

RSHE: How can we be a good friend?

MFL: Spanish classroom commands and questions.

Music: We follow Kapow and will be exploring and performing Ballads.

Art: We will explore and experiment with a range of techniques using collage materials to 'paint with scissors' and learn about the artist Henri Matisse.

D.T: Healthy eating: We will be designing and making a healthy snack.

Computing: We will be exploring internet safety and how computer systems work.

Homework

Monday	Reading book sent home on a Monday to be returned the following Monday.	Reading, Ed Shed and TTRockstars to be completed throughout the week ongoing.
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Maths homework: to be returned the following Wednesday Spellings: a paper copy of the spellings will be sent home and the spellings will be available on Edshed. Children to learn for a test the following week.	
Thursday		
Friday	Reading: Reading Mastery text from the week's lessons sent home to read to an adult	



Key dates

- 3CL Rejoice Celebration: 22.10.25
- 3M Rejoice Celebration: 10.12.25
- 3C Rejoice Celebration: 11.02.26
- Parent's Evening: Wednesday 22nd October -3.30 to 5pm;
Thursday 23rd October- 3.30- 7 pm
- Happy Puzzle Company workshop: Thursday 9th October
- Educational visit to The Atkinson in Southport for the
Pantomime and the Egyptian exhibition: Tuesday 16th
December

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

Safeguarding

- We ask parents not to take photographs on school grounds or at any events
- No vaping or smoking on school premises
- No dogs on school premises
- Please don't enter classrooms – wait away from door
- Children must not wear smartwatches

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

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 > Our Learning > Online Safety

Social Networking Apps

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

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.

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.

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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.

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.

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YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY



- Just £1 a week
- Weekly prize guaranteed every Saturday
- £25,000 jackpot
- We have already raised over £1,500 for our school since April!

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.

Thank you very much for joining us this morning!

We look forward to working together with you to help your child shine and achieve their full potential.

Every child deserves a champion, an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection, and insists that they become the best that they can possibly be.

- Rita Pierson

