



Gilbertstone Primary School Year 3 Autumn 2 Newsletter



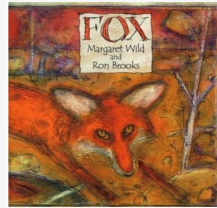
Hello and welcome back!



Firstly we hope everyone had a wonderful half term break and that the children have enjoyed their Autumn celebrations. We are so excited to start this half term with your children and we have lots of exciting things planned to capture their interests and imagination!

Literacy

This half term we will be reading 'Fox' by Margaret Wild and Ron Brooks. The children will be writing a Fable Narrative and an Information Report all about foxes. Our focus grammar skills this half term are prepositions of place and time, conjunctions, adverbs ending in -ly, inverted commas for speech, using a or an correctly and possessive apostrophes.



Reading

Children will continue take part in daily Guided Reading sessions. 3P will be reading 'Daisy and The Trouble with London'. 3C will be reading 'Please Mrs Butler' and 'My Encyclopaedia of Very Important Oceans'. We will be continuing to develop our retrieval and interpret skills.

Maths

In Maths this half term we will be continuing addition and subtraction with numbers up to 1000. This will include adding and subtracting two 3-digit numbers with and without exchange using the column method. Later in the term, we will be starting multiplication and division by exploring multiples of 3, 4 and 8.



Science

In Science this half term, we will learn about forces and magnets. The children will be exploring pushes, pulls and twists, investigating friction and testing magnet strength.



Wider Curriculum

This half term we will have a focus on History and Art. In History, will be learning about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. Children will be exploring how archaeological evidence helps us to understand life in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age.



In Art, we will be looking at 'Growing Artists'. We will be exploring the work of Georgia O'Keeffe and considering how the use of shapes, shading and texture can enhance our drawing skills to create our final abstract flower pieces.



Anti Bullying Week

During the week commencing 10th November 2025, we will be exploring Anti-Bullying week across the school during a series of lessons. This year's theme is 'Power for Good'. All children will be given the opportunity to explore and learn this theme and all about bullying.



Our visit to St Michael's Church!



As part of our RE unit on 'Participating and Being Willing to Lead', Year 3 will be visiting St Michael's Church. Children will have a tour of the church and learn about The Christmas Story. The children will be walking to and from the church so please ensure they have warm clothing and a waterproof coat.

3P visit on Monday 1st December 2025
3C visit on Tuesday 2nd December 2025
Please ensure you return the permission slip by Friday 21st November 2025

PE

Year 3 children will have outdoor PE on a **Monday**. Children will be learning skills relating to cricket. These include underarm and overarm throwing, striking, fielding and catching.

3P will have indoor PE on a **Wednesday**. Children will be learning skills relating to Dance. These include actions, dynamics and space. **3C** will continue to go swimming on a **Wednesday**. Children will be continuing to work towards swimming 25 metres without armbands.

Forest School

Year 3 children will have Forest School once each half term. This term's topic is 'Woodland Wildlife'. Children will be making apple bird feeders.



3P will have Forest School on **Monday 10th November**.

3C will have Forest School on **Friday 14th November**.

DT

The children really enjoyed making and tasting their seasonal tarts last half term. Take a look at our delicious creations!



Homework

Homework will continue to be set on Fridays to be handed in the following Wednesday. This will be linked to the learning we are doing in class.

Thank you for encouraging your child to complete their homework on time.

Thank you for your support!

Mrs Chau Miss Price Miss Grant

