

YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER

October 2026



HALF TERMLY UPDATE

It has been a fantastic start for our new Year 3's. They have settled into the rhythm of our school life terrifically well and are now working hard across the curriculum.

Each day in Year 3 starts with Guided Reading and our children have loved decoding and comprehending the following texts:

- The Mousehole Cat
- How to Live Forever
- Voices in the Park

All these stories have stoked wonderful discussions and we have had a great time thinking about the meanings of the symbols and morals of each story.

The children are really enjoying the challenge of writing longer and more detailed stories, and you can see some examples on the next page, in our Wow Work section. Many of our children are breaking their stories into detailed paragraphs which is giving their work real flow. We are also working hard to edit and improve our work. Why not ask your child what their specific writing target is?

Maths classes continue to be great fun and we are using a range of physical manipulatives to help the children visualise their learning. Our fortnightly problem solving sessions are a great way to stretch our mathematical brains.



P.E. LESSONS NEXT HALF TERM:

Ash: Monday & Wednesday

Elm: Monday and Tuesday

Oak: Wednesday and Friday



This half-term, Year 3 have enjoyed:

- ★ Writing stories inspired by the texts, 'The Incredible Book Eating Boy' & 'Stone Age Boy'
- ★ Having an exciting Stone Age Workshop delivered by Chertsey Museum with genuine prehistoric artefacts.
- ★ Creating Stone Age inspired artwork
- ★ Learning how to add and subtract across hundreds, tens and ones.
- ★ Learning how rocks are formed.

NEXT HALF-TERM

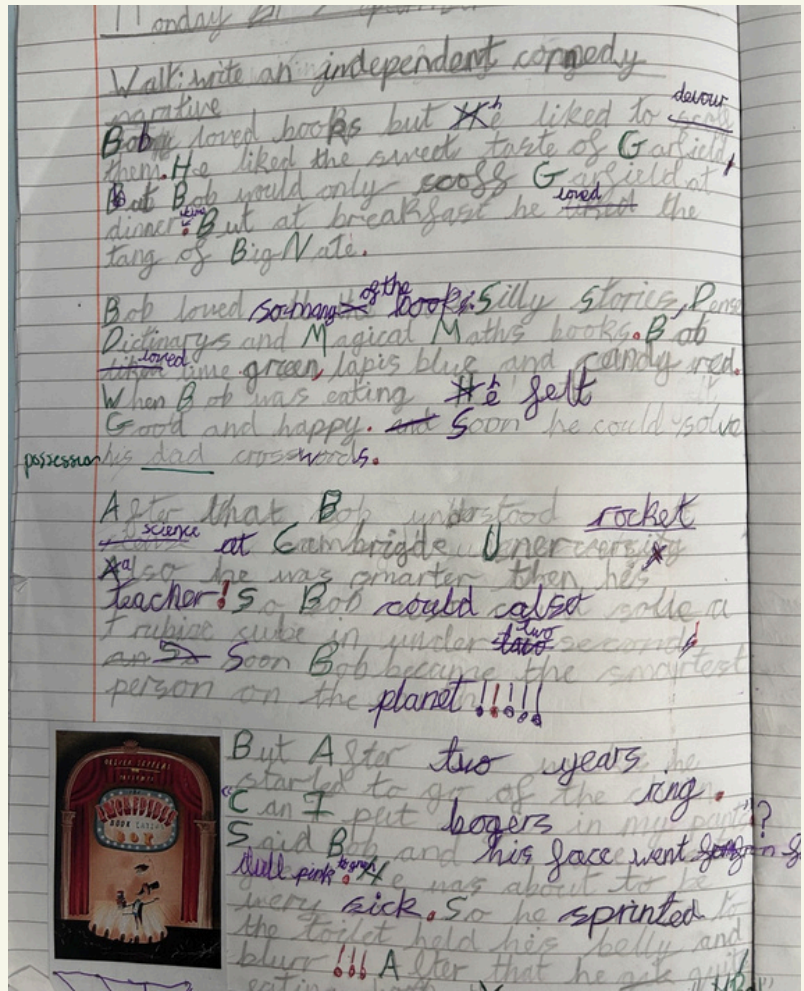
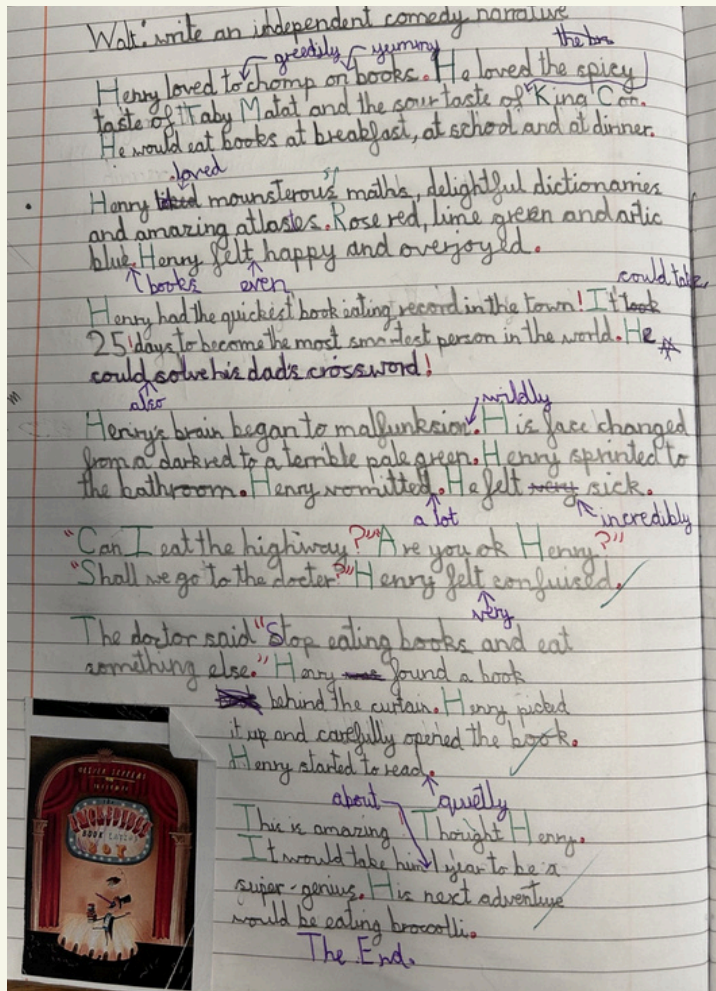
- English: Skara Brae/My strong mind
- Reading: The boy who grew dragons
- Maths: multiplication & division
- RE: Christianity
- PE: Dance/handball
- Geography: Settlements
- DT: Pneumatic toys
- PSHE: Family and relationships
- Computing: Animation
- French: French greetings/adjectives
- Music: Instrumental workshop
- Science: Retrieval from A1
- Online Safety: Bullying/copyright/relationships



WOW WORK !

STORY WRITING

Please see below two samples from Ash class of great stories inspired by the 'Incredible Book Eating Boy' by Oliver Jeffers. The stories were written by Laurelle and Rowan.



You can clearly see both children using paragraphs to group their ideas together. They have also used purple pens really effectively to edit and improve their work. These are typical examples of the wonderful writing lots of our children are producing.



Stone Age inspired artwork by Ash class.

KEY DATES:

Nov

- 2nd - School opens at 8:30am. Year 4 Roman Day workshop and dressing up day!
- 4th - Individual and sibling school photos. Children should come to school in full winter uniform; if your child has PE, they should bring their kit in a named bag (please label all uniform and PE items).
- 7th - Open morning for prospective parents
- 9th - 13th : Assessment week
- 10th - Year 3 Music Workshop in school
- 10th - PTA Annual General Meeting, 7pm, the Horsell Village School, all welcome.
- 11th: Year 3 Music Workshop with performance to parents at 2:30pm
- 13th - Year 3 DT day - making a pneumatic dragon
- 18th - PTA Crazy Hair Day; please wear school uniform. Suggested donation £2.
- 19th - PTA School Disco, 18:15 - 19:15.
- 25th - Parent Consultations, 15:10 - 18:00
- 26th - Parent Consultations, 15:10 - 18:00
- 27th - PTA Mufti Day with Christmas Fair Donations at drop off

Dec

- 5th - PTA Christmas Fair (Horsell Village School) and Horsell Village Christmas Market (High St)
- 9th - Nativity performance to school (AM)
- 10th - Nativity performance to parents (evening)
- 14th - Combined Carol Concert, St Mary's Church (choir members)
- 17th - Christmas lunch and Pantomime; children invited to wear festive jumpers.
- 18th - Last day of term, earlier finish at 13:30

YEAR 3 DT PNEUMATIC TOYS PROJECT



DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS, YOU ARE INVITED TO HELP OUR YEAR 3 WITH THEIR UPCOMING DT PNEUMATIC DRAGON PROJECT.

DATE: FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

MORNING SESSION 9:00AM - 11:40AM

AFTERNOON SESSION 1:00PM - 15:00PM

NO DBS OR PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NEEDED. PLEASE EMAIL THE CLASS TEACHER IF YOU CAN HELP WITH EITHER OF THE SESSIONS.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND SENDING IN **EGG BOXES**.

MRS PARKER, MR DUNSFORD AND MS FREUND

A vibrant blue background featuring various musical instruments and notes. In the top left is a black electric guitar. In the top center is a silver trumpet. In the top right is a silver microphone and a pair of drumsticks. In the bottom left is a saxophone. In the bottom right is a keyboard. Scattered throughout are musical notes, including a treble clef, a bass clef, and several eighth and sixteenth notes.

YEAR 3 MUSIC WORKSHOP

**PERFORMANCE TO PARENTS
11TH NOVEMBER, 2:30PM
IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

PARENT HELPERS - WE NEED YOU!

If you are able to spare any time in supporting our learning in Year 3 or Year 4, please contact your child's class teacher by email. It could be:

1:1 reading in the library
Group comprehension
Times Tables 12 x 12
Pre-teach
Projects/ trips/ events

TO APPLY FOR A DBS WITH US, PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#)

**NOT ALL VOLUNTEERING ROLES DO NOT REQUIRE A DBS, SO DO GET IN TOUCH EVEN IF YOU DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE ONE WITH US.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!**