

# Walliams Class!

We are Class 3- Walliam's Class



Welcome back Juniors! I am excited to begin this exciting journey in Year 3 with you all.

During the Autumn term, most of our learning in English will be related to our two overarching topics: The Stone Age and The Rainforest. Exploring both History and Geographical topics in the first term ensures that the children get a full coverage of the curriculum and their skills.

This topic has some wonderful cross-curricular learning, in particular with Art. This term, children will have the chance to develop their skills in drawing, using the Stone Age and Rainforest Animals as a stimulus. Children will also develop their painting techniques and create their very own cave paintings.

Our first Science topic is Animals including Humans. Children will be learning about human muscles and skeletons whilst understanding nutrition and how this is gained from food and diet. There will be plenty of opportunities for the children to work scientifically and develop these skills too!

PE session will take place on a Thursday and Friday afternoon. Our Thursday slot will take place in the hall and will cover our Dance topic. Children will need to remove their trainers and socks for these lessons. Our Friday lesson will be outdoors, weather permitting. Please ensure children bring warm clothing for their outdoor PE lessons. **Children need to ensure they have a full kit (including warm clothes) in school and girls have their hair tied back and earrings removed.**

Children will also have the chance to learn the Ukulele this year which is very exciting. Our specialist music teacher from Entrust will deliver these sessions on a Monday afternoon. Children will be given their own ukulele which will need to be in school every Monday in order for them to access the lesson.

## Our Learning:

**English:** Stone Age Boy

**Maths:** Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division

Spelling tests will take place on a Friday morning in Class 3. Your child has their own spelling book which they will take home weekly with the following weeks spellings to practise. Similarly, they will be tested in this book so you are able to see their scores on a weekly basis. Children can also access their spellings on Spelling Shed which has a range of interactive games to access. We ask that all spelling books are in school every Friday morning.

Times tables tests will take place on a Tuesday afternoon with Mrs Flaherty. Children can practise these using timetable rock stars at home! Children can see their progress by moving their name on the time's tables stars in class once they have mastered a times table in order and mixed up. They can also move their name on our class timetable rock star display!

Please continue to read with your child at home, filling in their reading records. Children are working hard to collect their Rainbow Readers Badges and we want to continue to encourage a love for reading. We will have expected children to have read 50 times by Christmas. Children should have their reading record in school every day. Home reads will be counted on a Wednesday morning.

Homework in Class 3 will be set on a Friday and will be expected back in school the following Thursday. Children are encouraged to complete homework on a Friday evening so it can be put away in their bags ready for the following week. These activities should take no longer than 20-30 minutes.

I have attached our class timetable to the newsletter this term so that children can see what their week looks like and which adults will be in the classroom. Please note, this is flexible so occasionally, there may be changes.

As always, if you have any queries or concerns, please contact the office or speak to me during collection or drop off on the playground! We are all looking forward to a new year as Juniors, filled with exciting learning and new challenges!

Miss Hardwick 😊



**Guided Reading:**

Autumn 1: Romel's Rainforest Home

Autumn 2: The Vanishing Rainforest

**Science:**

Autumn 1: Animals, including Humans.

Autumn 2: Rocks and fossils

**History:** Stone Age (Covering key skills: chronology, cause and consequence, significance, sources and evidence, diversity and change and continuity)

**Geography:** Rainforests

Autumn 1: physical geography, rainforests, biomes use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied.

Autumn 2: human geography, including types of settlement and land use (deforestation).

**Art /DT:** Drawing and painting focus: Cave Paintings, sculpting, using a variety of materials and tools and mixing paints.

**RE:**

Autumn 1: Christianity and Islam (Exploring living by the rules)

Autumn 2: Christianity and Hinduism (Religion in the home)

**PHSE:**

Autumn 1: Being me in my world

Autumn 2: Celebrating difference

**Computing:**

Autumn 1: Computer systems and network: connecting computers/

Autumn 2: Creating media- Stope-frame animation.

**PE:**

Autumn 1- indoor: Dance/Outdoor: Fundamentals

Autumn 2- indoor: Dance/Outdoor: Dodgeball

**Spanish:** Taught on a Wednesday afternoon with Mrs Eggleston

**Music:** Ukuleles

## Our Timetable:

Day/morning task	9-9.30am	9.30-10.30am	Break 10.30-10.45am	10.45-12pm	Lunch 12-1pm	Assembly 1-1.20pm	Afternoon Lesson 1	Afternoon Lesson 2
Monday IPADS TT Rockstars	Guided Reading	Maths		Handwriting Letter join English		Assembly Pupil Voice	Computing Digital Literacy  Miss Twells	Music ukuleles  Music Teacher
Tuesday Year 3 CEW	Teacher Assembly Rota	Maths		English		Guided Reading (60 second Read)	JIGSAW  Mrs Flaherty	Maths Times tables practice (6,7,8) TT Test  Mrs Flaherty
Wednesday Silent reading (Count reads)	Guided Reading	Maths		English		Assembly in Class	RE  Mrs Eggleston	Spanish  Mrs Eggleston
Thursday Maths practice	Guided Reading	Maths		English		Assembly	History/Geography	PE
Friday Year 3 CEW	Assembly Awards Assembly	English SPAG lesson Spelling test		Science		Hand out new homework for the week.  PE	Art/D&T	