

Adamsrill Primary Year 3 Autumn Curriculum

English

Children will be focusing on the texts 'Leon and the Place Between', 'The Heart and the Bottle', 'The Tin Forest' & 'The BFG'.

Reading: Destination Reader lessons will focus on learning behaviours, clarifying, predicting, questioning, summarising and evaluating.

Writing: Genres covered this term will include Persuasive Poster, Setting Description, Diary Entries, Dialogue, Character Descriptions & Instructions

GPS: Expanded Noun Phrases, Imperative Verbs, Fronted Adverbials, Conjunctions, Present Perfect Form & Past Tense Verbs.

Art & Design

Introduction to the formal elements & Portraits.

Line, tone, shape, texture, form and pattern.

Computing

To learn about the importance of online safety and how to identify false information and fake sites.

Mathematics

Number & Place Value: Comparing numbers, Ordering, Measurement, Finding 10 More and 10 Less, Missing Number Problems

Addition & Subtraction: Up to 3 digits

Times Tables: 3x & 4x table

Design & Technology

We will be investigating design inspirations and processes for producing work. We will also be designing and making a cardboard chair.

Geography

We will be analysing maps of the world and Europe, locating different features and landmarks. We will also be exploring the physical features and processes of Rivers.

Science

Children will be exploring rocks. They will be identifying how rocks are made, the uses of rocks and the rock families. We will also be investigating where animals get their food from and why it is important. Children will also be exploring 'Food and our Bodies'.

History

To explore the Stone Age and their use of farming and weapons in everyday life.

We will also be learning about the British Empire

Modern Languages

To review greetings and counting to 10. The children will also be learning various food items.

Music

Children will learn string instruments. Children will also participate in singing assemblies.

Physical

Education

Gymnastics/Dance & Hockey

To become increasingly competent and confident to perform skills more consistently.

Religious

Education

We will be exploring Right and Wrong as well as the use of the bible in Christianity.
RSE: To recognise their worth as individuals and to recognise and challenge gender stereotypes.

Autumn Term One Year 3 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 3,

A very warm welcome to Year 3 and the start of the 2026-27 academic year. We hope that you and your children had an enjoyable and restful summer. We are delighted to welcome the children back and are looking forward to an exciting and successful year ahead. Our forthcoming Meet the Teacher session will provide an opportunity to meet the Year 3 team and find out more about the curriculum, routines and expectations for the year.

The Year 3 Team consists of:

Class Teachers: Ms Odigboh (3G) Ms Hughes (3B)

Support Staff: Ms Fedai (TA)

Homework: This will be set each Friday and should be completed and returned by the following Wednesday. Year 3 pupils will use the relevant *High Standards* homework books. Each week, children will receive spellings to learn as well as information about the pages or activities they should complete. Please support your child by encouraging good homework routines and providing a quiet, suitable space in which they can work. Your encouragement and interest make an important difference.

Home reading: Reading regularly at home is one of the most valuable ways you can support your child's learning. Year 3 children should read for at least 25 minutes every day. Parents and carers should listen to their child read regularly and sign the Home Contact Journal at least three times each week. We welcome brief comments about your child's reading. On other days, children should record the title of the book they have read and the date. Please ensure that your child's Home Contact Journal is brought to school every day.

Curriculum Subjects: Year 3 pupils will experience a broad, balanced and engaging curriculum throughout the term, building their knowledge, skills and confidence across all subjects. Please refer to the curriculum overview on the following page for further information about what the children will be learning this term.

School Uniform: We expect all children to attend school wearing the correct Adamsrill school uniform:

- Yellow polo shirt
- Navy blue school jumper
- Grey or navy trousers/skirt
- Black school shoes

Please ensure that all items of clothing, including coats and PE kit, are clearly labelled with your child's name.

PE Kits: It is imperative all children participate in every PE lesson as this is part of the National Curriculum. The school PE kit is a plain white T-shirt, dark blue shorts (or tracksuit trousers in winter) and plimsolls. **Children must have their PE kit with them on Mondays and take them home on Fridays.**

Children may have additional PE sessions during teacher leadership time and will also take part in the Daily Mile during the week. Please ensure PE kits remain in school from Monday to Friday. **PE Days : 3B - Wednesday; 3G - Wednesday**

Educational Visits: Educational visits are an important part of enriching children's learning, and we are pleased that Year 3 will have a number of opportunities during the year. Further information and consent arrangements will be sent to parents in advance of each visit. Please monitor the Arbor App, emails and Friday Bulletin so that you do not miss important information or deadlines.

Dates for your diaries:

- Wednesday 16th September 2026- Meet the teacher
- Thursday 15th October 2026- Trip to the Hornimans
- Friday 25th September - Jeans for Genes Day
- Tuesday 29th September 2026- Target setting
- Tuesday 6th October 2026- Target setting
- Wednesday 7th October - Individual Photos
- Thursday 22nd October 2026- Multicultural day
- Monday 26th-30th October- Half term (INSET on 2nd; pupils return on 3rd Nov)
- Friday 20th November - Children in Need Day
- Tuesday 8th December - Christmas Lunch
- Tuesday 15th December- Christmas Production KS2
- Friday 18th December 2026- Last day of term (school finishes at 2pm)
- Monday 4th January 2027- Inset Day (Children return to school - Tuesday 5th January 2027)

Daily Procedures: Thank you for your continued cooperation with our drop-off and collection arrangements. These procedures are in place to ensure that children enter and leave school safely. Safeguarding remains at the heart of everything we do. By working together, we can maintain a safe, calm and welcoming environment for children, families and staff.

Communication Between Home and School: Good communication between school and home is essential. The Friday Bulletin is our main weekly communication with parents and carers, while the Arbor App is used for important day-to-day messages and information. Please ensure that your contact details are kept up to date so that you receive all school communications. Your child's class teacher should normally be your first point of contact regarding their learning, progress or day-to-day wellbeing. If you have a question or concern, please arrange an appointment with the class teacher through the school office or contact the Year 3 team via admin@adamsrill.lewisham.sch.uk

Attendance and punctuality: Regular attendance and punctuality are essential to children's learning, wellbeing and progress. Our expectation is that pupils achieve attendance of at least **96%** and arrive at school on time every day. Every school day matters. Missing lessons can create gaps in learning that become increasingly difficult to recover, so we ask families to work closely with us to ensure that children attend regularly and are ready to learn. Thank you, as always, for your continued partnership and support. We are looking forward to an exceptional term in Year 3, filled with learning, new experiences and opportunities for every child to thrive.

Your faithfully
Year 3 Team