

Transition Book 2025-2026

WHITECOTE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Inspire | Nurture | Challenge

Welcome to Year 3

Our Class: Spruce



Our School Aims and Values

Our three school core values are:

- Inspire
- Nurture
- Challenge

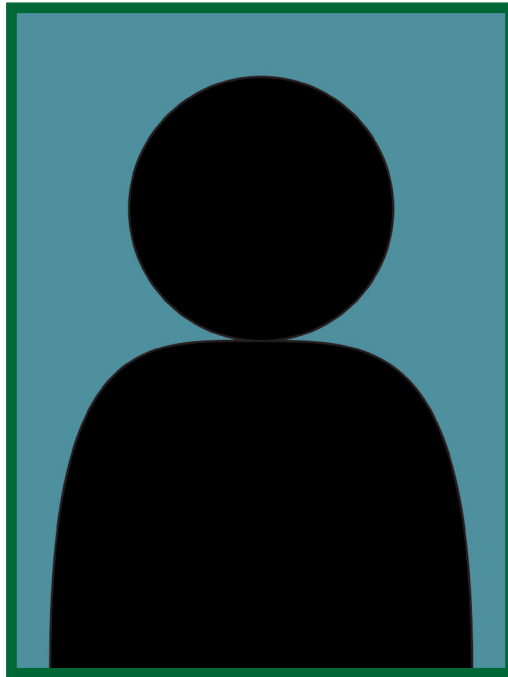
These core values run through the heart of everything that we do and will be seen in all aspects of our lives.

Our school rules are:

- We respect everyone and everything.
- We follow instructions.
- We keep hands, feet and objects to ourselves.



Our Staff



Mrs. McDade
Teacher



Mrs. Murphy
Teaching Assistant



Miss Howe
Teaching Assistant

Our Classroom



Main Classroom



Entrance

Pegs



The School Day

The school day begins at 8:45am.

It ends at 3:15pm.

I will arrive and leave from the doors marked "Year 3"

PE Days

My PE Days are:

- *Indoor PE: Wednesday*
- *Outdoor PE: Thursday*



Our Curriculum

Some of the main things that we will be learning this year are:



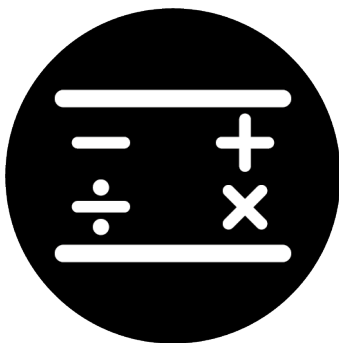
English: Writing

Children will continue to develop their understanding of different spelling patterns, as well as increasing their grammar knowledge. There will be a focus on specific grammar such as / conjunctions, adverbs, and prepositions. Children will also learn how to use direct speech and speech marks.



English: Reading

We have added more books this year for our children to study. Children will be looking at a range of books, including *The Iron Man*, *Stig of the Dump*, and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Children will study these texts, and others, to develop their reading fluency and responses to inferential and retrieval questions. They will also make predictions about what they have read, while summarising the text in their own words.



Maths

Children will continue to build on their increasing range of numbers, counting in a variety of ways up to 100. They will learn how to problem solve using mental arithmetic strategies. They will also learn more about fractions and measurement. Children will focus on 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 8s, and 10s times tables, which will provide the foundations for their multiplication check in Year 4.



Science

Building on from our learning in Year 3, children will continue to look at *Animals*, including humans, including how animals can be classified. Children will also learn more about plants, learning how water is transported within them and the importance of each part. They will also look at light and the different types of rocks.

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History



From Year 3 onwards, our history curriculum will be taught chronologically. At the start of Year 3, we will step back in time to the earliest recorded evidence of the human species, looking at the three eras of the Stone Age, advancing in time to the Iron Age. We will also look at two historical, ancient civilisations of Ancient Egypt and Ancient Greece and their impact and importance on today. This provides the foundations for our learning in Year 4.

Geography



To support our learning in history and to develop geographical-enquiry skills, children will learn about different places around the world including Egypt and Greece. We will learn how to compare and contrast these places with our local environment. Children will develop fieldwork skills and understand how to read maps on a global scale.

Art



Children will develop some basic art skills by looking at early cave art linked to their learning in history. They will learn how to do some basic printing and 3D mask making. To increase their knowledge of Ancient Greece, children will make 3D sculptures.

Design Technology



In order to develop our sewing skills from previous years, children will design and put together a simple toga designed linked to their learning in history. They will continue their understanding of cooking and nutrition by making sandwiches and salads.

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Languages

In our first full year of languages, children will learn some basic Spanish, including numbers from 1-20 and some simple conversational language.



Music

Children will continue using Charanga to support their music learning. All children in this year group onwards will learn an instrument. In Year 3 and 4, children will learn how to play the recorder.



Physical Education

Children have a variety of opportunities to develop different skills. Children will use gym equipment in the school hall to practice different types of balance and movement. They will also learn some additional games from Year 2 that will support their understanding of rules and teamwork.



Computing

Using Purple Mash software, children will develop their knowledge of coding. They will also use various multimedia such as presentation software and spreadsheets.

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Religious Education

Through our RE lessons, we will continue to develop respect and understanding for different religions, focusing this year on Judaism, Sikhism, Islam, and Christianity.



PSHE

Children will learn some basic first aid based on plans from St. John's ambulance. Also, they will learn about how to respect each other inside and outside of the classroom.

Subject Leaders

Our subject leaders at Whitecote Primary School are:

Subject	Leader	Subject	Leader
English: Writing	Miss Mumby	Design Technology	Miss Wright
English: Reading	Mrs. Goshomi	Languages	Ms. Barkerwood
Phonics	Mrs. Knight	Music	Mrs. McGuinness
Maths	Mrs. Sherman	Physical Education	Mr. Graham
Science	Mr. Sheffrin	Computing	Mr. Sheffrin
History	Mrs. Hancock	Religious Education	Miss Routledge
Geography	Miss Worthy	PSHE	Mrs. Stableford
Art	TBC		

Uniform

This is the school uniform that we will need to wear every day.

<i>Sweatshirt / Cardigan</i>	<i>Bottle green with or without logo (children in Year 6 wear yellow)</i>
<i>Polo Shirt or Collared Shirt / Blouse</i>	<i>White or Bottle Green</i>
<i>Trousers / Skirt / Pinafore Dress</i>	<i>Black or grey</i>
<i>Socks</i>	<i>White, grey, or black</i>
<i>Tights or Leggings</i>	<i>Plain grey or black</i>
<i>Shoes</i>	<i>Black school shoes</i>

Summer:

<i>Shorts</i>	<i>Black or grey</i>
<i>Summer Dress</i>	<i>Green striped or gingham</i>

PE KIT:

<i>Indoor</i>	<i>Plain white t-shirt and black shorts</i>
<i>Outdoor</i>	<i>Plain black or grey tracksuit bottoms, sweatshirt and trainers</i>

Swimming:

<i>Girls</i>	<i>One-piece costume and towel</i>
<i>Boys</i>	<i>Swimming trunks and towel</i>

Reception to Year 5



Year 6 ONLY



White Polo Shirt



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