



Term: Year 3

Term: Autumn 2026

Welcome back to Beechwood and to Year 3's Autumn term!

We are looking forward to starting some exciting new units of work!

Please continue to support your child at home and encourage them to read as much as possible. Reading books will be changed when needed each week, please have books and reading records in each day kept in the learners bags.

Art and DT

The children will explore **Stone Age cave art**, inspired by the Lascaux and Chauvet caves. They will use chalks and pastels to develop **shading, texture, colour and tone**. In DT, children will **design, make and decorate a gift box**, using a net to create a 3D structure.

French

Bonjour! The children will work on their French greetings and basic conversation this term. They will cover numbers and places.

English

We will begin each day with whole-class reading, starting with **The Stolen Spear** to develop reading skills and vocabulary. In writing, we will use **Talk for Writing** to explore *The Hunter and the Fisher*, a meeting tale, developing descriptive language and story writing. We will also study *How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth*, exploring **imperative verbs, adverbs and time conjunctions** to write

History and Geography

Our topic for the term is '**The Stone Age and Geographical features of the UK**,' learning all about this long-lasting prehistoric time period in The UK.

We will learn about how they lived and survived, looking closely at how we learn from thinking about the clues they left behind. The Stone Age will be our theme for the term and will therefore also link in with our work in many other subjects, including learning what the key geographical features of the UK are and how it impacts the way we live in geography.

Year 3 Autumn Overview



PSHE

We will continue to follow the Jigsaw programme, with the unit '**Being Me in My World**.' This will cover rights, responsibilities, choices and consequences.

RE

This term, the children will learn about **Sanatana Dharma (Hinduism)**, exploring the importance of **water and the River Ganges** to Hindus. We will also learn about **Christianity**, focusing on the meaning and traditions of **Christmas celebrations**.

Maths

We will be covering the following units:

Place Value

100s, 10s and 1s, comparing and ordering numbers, estimating, counting in multiples.

Addition and Subtraction

Mental strategies, 2 and 3-digit numbers, formal methods, crossing 10s and 100s boundaries, estimating answers.

Computing

In computing we will be looking at digital devices and how they work. We will also be looking at online relationships and online reputation.

PE/Games

We have outdoor PE on a Tuesday, working on **Fitness activities**, and Indoor PE on Wednesday where we will be doing **Fundamental skills in PE**.

Science

Our topic this term is Rocks. The children will explore and compare different types of rocks based on their appearance and properties. They will learn how fossils are formed and investigate how soil is made from rocks and organic matter.