

English

Writing

Children will be writing across a range of genres including chronological reports, narratives and instructions.

Reading

Children will continue to develop reading and comprehensions skills through our 'Hooked on Books' sessions and Comprehension Ninja lessons. Children will also be expected to read aloud at home at least **three times per week**.

Spelling

Pupils will work on a new spelling rule each week using Super Hero Spelling and should practise at home.

Handwriting

We teach cursive writing following the LetterJoin programme. Details for home access will be shared with parents.



Year 3 Autumn 2026

Through the Ages



History - From Stone to Iron

This project teaches children about British prehistory from the Stone Age to the Iron Age, including changes to people and lifestyle caused by ingenuity, invention and technological advancement.

Geography - Land Use Detectives

The children will explore the UK's human and physical features using digital maps, then investigate key features of its counties and cities across all four countries. They will then study land use, including five major types, before completing fieldwork around the school to find out how local land is used.

Art - Colour Masters

This project teaches children about colour theory by studying the colour wheel and colour mixing. It includes an exploration of tertiary colours, warm and cool colours, and complementary colours. We explore famous artworks and the theory behind the colour choices.

DT - The Healthy Kitchen

This project teaches children about food groups and the Eatwell guide. The children choose and make a taco filling according to specific design criteria.

Maths

At West Hill we follow the White Rose Maths Curriculum. During the Autumn term, Year 3 will be working on the following units:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

Science - Sunlight and Shadows

The children learn about different light sources and how they differ from reflectors. Children explore how shadows are made, what type of objects make the darkest shadows and how shadows can change, looking for patterns in the data they collect.

Science - Eat Well, Move Well

The children learn how animals, including humans, survive and stay healthy. They compare the diets of carnivores, herbivores and omnivores, ask scientific questions and use research to spot patterns. Children discover what makes a balanced diet, learn the function of the human skeleton, and investigate how muscles work with the skeleton to help a person move.

RE

The two faiths we study in Year 3 are Hinduism and Christianity. We will investigate the River Ganges and Christmas and what they both mean to respective believers.

PSHE

This term we will be covering: Being Me in My World and Celebrating Difference.

Important Dates and Reminders

PE takes place on a Wednesday and Friday. Children are expected to come in their PE kit on those days. Reading books and diaries should be in school every day. They will be checked on a Monday.