Hoddlesden St Paul's Church of England Primary School

Year 3

Autumn 2 Newsletter

As God's family, together we achieve

This half term, our British Value that will be celebrated throughout school is **Rule of Law.**

This half term, our Christian Value that will be celebrated throughout school is **compassion**.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed a wonderful half-term break, despite the weather! This half term is one of our busiest, so please take note of the key dates and ensure you are receiving Arbor notifications from the office, as this is our main way of sharing any changes and updates.

Our whole-school topic this half term is Factual Footprints. In History, we'll be focusing on women who changed the world! The children will learn about inspiring figures such as Katherine Johnson and Emmeline Pankhurst. In DT, we'll explore textiles by designing and creating our own cushions, using cross stitch and appliqué techniques. These creations will be showcased at our Elf Enterprise stall during the Christmas Fair — we hope you can join us!

In Science, our topic is Animals Including Humans, where we'll build upon the children's previous KS1 learning. In English, we'll be diving into The Iron Man. The children will continue their French language journey with Madame Wardle, and in PE, we're delighted to have Gymnastics again with our specialist teacher, Mrs Winward. In Maths, we'll continue to strengthen our addition and subtraction skills before moving on to multiplication. Finally, in RE, we'll be exploring the meaning and traditions of Christmas.

I'll be updating the school website weekly to keep you informed about our learning journey and to celebrate the children's achievements. I'll also share highlights via Seesaw — and I would love to see examples of the children's learning from home, too!

The link for the website is: 2025/26 Our Learning | Hoddlesden St Paul's Church of England Primary School

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I'm looking forward to another wonderful term of learning together!

Warm regards,
Mrs Harrison



Sports Days

This half term, the **Year 3 P.E. lessons** are on **Thursday and Friday.** Please ensure children come to school in their **sports uniform on these days.**

Texts to support your child's learning this term

5,000 Awesome Facts about Animals National Geographic
Lots: The Diversity of Life on Earth by Nicola Davies
BOOT: Small Robot Big Adventure by Shane Hegarty

Reminders

-Please can **ALL children** bring their **book bag, reading pack, reading book and reading record into school each day.**
-Please **read at home** with your child as much as possible **(at least 3 times a week) and record this in their reading record.**
-Children will have weekly **spelling, maths, bedrock and theme learning tasks.** Don't forget **TT Rockstars!**
-Reading books will be changed on a **Monday and a Thursday.**
-Children can bring a **bottle of water** into school each day.
-Please ensure your **child's clothing is clearly labelled** with their name to avoid lost uniform.

Key Dates

Tuesday 4th November – Chocolate Bingo Night 1
Thursday 6th November – Chocolate Bingo Night 2
Friday 7th November- Year 3 OAL (bring kits)
Wb 10th November- Anti Bullying Week
Monday 10th November- Odd Socks Day
Tuesday 11th November- Remembrance Worship – 11am at the War Memorial
Friday 14th November- Children in Need Day
Tuesday 18th November- Wheelchair sports (Wear PE kits)
Friday 28th November- Individual/sibling photo day.
Monday 1st December- Rock Steady concert
Sunday 7th December- Christmas Worship and Fair from 9.30am
Tuesday 9th December- Panto at King George's Hall
Wb 15th December- Christmas Crazy Golf Behaviour Treat!
Monday 15th December- Christmas Party Day- wear party clothes!
Wednesday 17th December- KS2 Carol concert at 1.30pm
Thursday 18th December- Christmas jumper day
Thursday 18th December- KS2 Carol Concert at 9.30am
Thursday 18th December- Christmas lunch
Friday 19th December- DOJO winners non-uniform