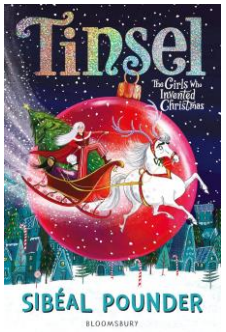
Class 3 Autumn 2 Curriculum Newsletter 2026

Welcome back after, hopefully, a relaxing October half term!

I hope you managed to relax and take time together as a family! As we enter the festive period, we are looking forward to all the exciting learning and enrichment activities that school provide during this half term. Our new topic for this half term is 'Local Area Study: Manchester'. Class 3 will be exploring: the geographic benefits to Manchester, how Manchester developed as a key city and how Manchester compares to other cities. Have a look on the next page to see what we will be learning in the different curriculum areas. We look forward to another great half term with your children.

Mrs Crease

Class 3 Reading Book



Reminders

- PE is every Wednesday and Thursday
- Forest School is every Monday.
- Homework handed out on Friday and due in the following Thursday
- Reading three times a week at home
- Times Table practice three times a week at home



Events

- Children in Need – 13th November 2026
- Anti-Bullying Week – 16th till 20th November 2026
- Parents' Evening Week – 16th till 20th November 2026
- HVC Football – 17th November 2026
- Class 3 Trip – 19th November 2026
- Christmas Market – 22nd November 2026
- Christmas Craft Afternoon – 2nd December 2026
- Christmas Singing in the Pavillion – 3rd December 2026
- Panto – 8th December 2026
- Secret Santa – 9th December 2026
- Nativity and Carols – 17th December 2026

Times Tables

We are working hard to consolidate and increase our recall of times tables. Class 3 are responding well using times table songs and games. Below are some links to these:

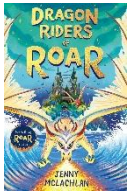
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Reading

In Class 3, we are developing our 'Love of Reading'. On Friday afternoon, we have some reading for pleasure time called 'ERIC – Everyone Reads In Class' and this allows children to choose any text of their choice. This may be a recipe, a magazine, a fact book or a narrative but if they would like to bring a text from home to read, then Friday is the day to do this.

Here are a couple of new books released for 7–11-year-olds:





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Autumn 2

Manchester

English

- Exploring the seven comprehension strands of reading (retrieval, commentating, vocabulary and summarising)
- Learning/recapping various grammar and punctuation aspects: word classes, expanded noun phrases, subordinating conjunctions and sentence types.
- Exploring the books titled 'Suffragette, The Battle for Equality' and 'Stonewall'.

Geography

- How has Manchester developed?
- What are the human and physical features of a city?
- How do cities compare across the UK?
- How did Manchester develop rapidly in the early 1900s?

Maths

- Exploring the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division)
- Increasing our recall of times tables
- Multiplying four digits by two digits
- Learning factors, primes and multiples
- Adding, subtracting and comparing fractions with different denominators
- Understanding and comparing different measurements

PE

- Football skills
- Boccia
- Gymnastics

PSHE

Valuing Difference – Learning what differences make us unique.

Languages

- Learning French foods
- Discussing mealtimes
- Comparing French cuisine to British

Music

- Sing Different Styles
- Play a Range of Instruments
- Write Lyrics

Computing

- Selecting appropriate coding
- Creating quizzes using coding software
- Fixing problems in code

Science

- Recognise light travels in straight lines
- Describe how objects are seen by the eye
- Explain how shadows vary

Design and Technology

- Use electronics to create Christmas crafts/cards
- Explore using electronics in Design Technology

RE

- Exploring the big question: What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?