



Year 3 Newsletter

Autumn 2—2026/2027



Notices and Reminders

Welcome back to school! We hope that you had a wonderful half-term break.

Our PE day for this term is Tuesday. Please make sure that your child wears their PE kit to school on this day instead of their uniform.

On non-PE days, we ask that your child comes to school in correct school uniform. Full details about our uniform expectations can be found at:

<https://www.mytchett.kite.academy/parents/school-uniform/>

Reading

The children will continue reading 'Stig of the Dump' by Clive King, a classic children's novel that explores how a young boy named Barney encounters a Caveman called Stig. The two quickly become friends and share a series of adventures together. The children will explore new language used in the book and engage in discussion about the text. They'll answer a range of comprehension questions.



Writing

This half term in writing, the children will be completing their learning on a monster tale. They will then be immersed in a non-chronological report on 'Dragons' and use this text to create their own version. Throughout, they will be exposed to a range of skills that will help them to develop their writing.



Key Dates

November 2026

Monday 2nd to Wednesday 4th - Y5 Runways End residential

Saturday 7th - FFMPs fireworks evening

Wednesday 11th - YR writing workshop (2:30pm)

Thursday 12th - Christmas pantomime (Y1-Y6)

Thursday 12th - Non-school uniform day (£2 cash donation for FFMPs)

Tuesday 17th - Flu vaccinations

Thursday 19th - Individual and sibling photographs

Friday 20th - Children in Need day (wear something spotty/mufti)

Monday 30th - Y4 multiplication tables check parent workshop (2:45pm)

December 2026

Tuesday 1st - Y6 SATs parent workshop (2:45pm)

Friday 4th - Autumn family forum meeting (9:00am)

Wednesday 9th - EYFS Christmas singalong

Thursday 11th - SEND coffee afternoon (2:30pm)

Friday 11th - Autumn term SMILE afternoon (3:00pm)

Monday 14th - KS1 nativity performance (4:30pm)

Wednesday 16th - Christmas lunch (children wearing Christmas jumpers/mufti)

Wednesday 16th - KS2 carols in the courtyard (4:30pm)

Thursday 17th - FFMPs Christmas craft day

Friday 18th - Last day of term

Monday 21st to Friday 1st - Christmas holidays

Monday 4th January 2027 – spring term begins

Maths

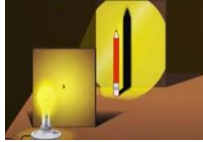
This term, the children will be continuing to work on their addition and subtraction skills. They will learn how to use a formal column method to support their addition and subtraction of 3-digit and 2-digit numbers.

The children will also further improve their knowledge of the 3,4 and 8 multiplication tables.

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Science

In science this half term, the children will be learning about light. They will look at natural and artificial light, then they will go on to learn about shadows and light reflection. The children will be working like scientists to carry out investigations with shadows and reflective surfaces.



History

In history this term, the children will be learning about the Bronze Age and the Iron Age. This will include studying the development of tools and materials, agriculture, trade, language, early writing and religion. They will also be looking at the Beaker people who came from Europe and settled in Scotland.



DT

This half term the children will be learning about mechanical systems, in particular how pneumatic toys work. They will be researching, designing, making and evaluating their own products. The children will learn how to use a variety of tools and equipment to create a functional, appealing product.



PE

In PE this half term, the children will be exploring dance and developing a range of skills including flexibility, strength, control and balance. They will be performing dances including the hand jive and Rock 'n' Roll dances. The children will be using a range of movement patterns and evaluating these to see how they can improve upon their skills.



Computing

In computing this term, the children will be learning about networks, deepening their understanding of what the internet is. They will begin to identify the common features of a website before learning what a search engine is. The children will learn how to access safe search engine materials to develop an understanding of how to distinguish between reliable information and 'fake news'.



PSHE

In PSHE this term, the children will be exploring how to be a good friend. Within this, they will identify positive friendships and relationships in their lives and how friendships should make them feel. They will also consider their differences, both in personality and their opinions, and will explore how to respect others even when they disagree. Finally, they will learn how to collaborate.



French

In French this half term, the children will be learning the key phonemes of the French language to help them understand the correct pronunciation, when they are learning to speak it. As part of this they will learn songs and watch and listen to native French speakers, to ensure this is spoken as accurately as possible.



Suggested books for reading

