

# Welcome to Year 3



# English Curriculum

## [English curriculum overview](#)

English is taught daily and follows a three part journey over a three week period.  
Part one- introduction to the text focusing on engagement, discussion and the building of experiences and cultural capital.

Part two- focus on developing key grammatical skills

Part three-producing extended pieces of writing before editing and refining work.

Guided Reading is taught 4 times a week and gives the children the opportunity to unpick and discuss a wide range of rich and engaging texts while developing the skills to be a confident, fluent reader.

On a Friday, all classes have a reading for pleasure 'Freedom Friday' session where they are able to choose any book to either share with a friend or read independently. The children also have the opportunity for book talk in these sessions. We believe freedom of choice and peer recommendations play an important role in reading for pleasure.



# Reading at SFJS



We are committed to helping children to become confident and competent readers who regularly read for pleasure. As well as a carefully planned curriculum, there are many other things we do to promote a positive reading culture at SFJS.

- Celebrate World Book Day
- Book tasting sessions
- Masked Reader activities
- Reading challenges and readathons
- Author visits
- Local library visits
- Provide up to date reading lists and information on our website
- Use the Boom Reader app to track and celebrate the home reading of all pupils <https://go-read.co.uk/>
- Bronze, silver and gold bookmark challenge
- Pleasure for reading assemblies
- Freedom Friday, reading for pleasure sessions
- Reading ambassadors
- Silver stories
- Sora App <https://soraapp.com/library/hampshiresls> (your school is Hampshire Library Service)

It is the expectation that all children read at home and record it, on Boomreader (or a reading record), at least 4 times a week.

# Maths Curriculum

## [Maths yearly overview](#)

Maths is taught daily. We have adopted a mastery approach to teaching maths and use concrete, pictorial and abstract representations to help children explore, demonstrate and deepen their mathematical understanding.

A typical maths lesson will provide the opportunity for all children to work through fluency, reasoning and problem solving activities.



# Times Tables at SFJS



At the end of year 4, children will complete a multiplication tables check as introduced by the Government in 2019.

Whilst we will cover all aspects of this check in school, all children will also need to learn and practise their multiplication tables as part of their weekly home learning.

Although children in **year 3** will not take the test until the next academic year, it would be beneficial to promote the importance of multiplication tables, not just for supporting the children in the test but also to assist in a wide area of maths learning.

*By the end of year 2 the expectation is that children can competently answer questions, at speed and in any order, for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.*

*In year 3, they will learn the 3,4 and 8 times tables.*

*At SFJS all children have access to Timestable Rockstars (TTRS) to practice but we also highly recommend using mathsframe to practice [MTC maths frame](#)*

# Wider curriculum

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# Science

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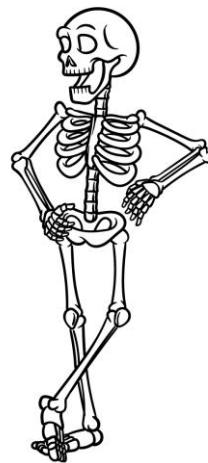
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## GAS



# History

# Local History – Farnborough

# Geography

# Looking at Great Britain and the UK

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E-Safety

Understanding  
Devices



Computing

Coding

Typing Skills

Stop Animation

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Sculpture

Art

Drawing Skills

Sewing

Painting



# Pencil cases

# Healthy Sandwiches

# Design Technology

# Moving Christmas Cards

# Instrument Opportunities

# Musical Vocabulary

# Music

# Composition

# Different Artists

# Christmas Play

# Homework at SFJS



HOMEWORK

The homework expectation at SFJS is that all children:

- read and record their reading (using Boomreader or a reading record book if requested) 4 times a week
- learn their spellings, weekly
- complete my maths activities <https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>
- practise their times tables <https://ttrockstars.com/>

Additional, **voluntary** homework tasks relating to the wider curriculum may also be set.

All homework will be set on google classroom. If you need paper copies, please contact your child's class teacher.

# Year 3 trips/visits!

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Farnborough Library



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Swimming



St Peter's Church

# Contacting your child's class teacher.



There will be occasions when you will need to contact your child's class teacher.

The most efficient way to do this is to contact the school office, either via email on [adminoffice@southfarnborough-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@southfarnborough-jun.hants.sch.uk) or by phone. The office staff will then get a message to the class teacher and they will contact you.

There are members of the Senior Leadership Team on the front gate and park gate and Mrs Best on the Grove gate, every morning. SLT and all available teaching staff, wait at the three gates at the end of every school day. Please do speak to us if you need to let us know anything.

Please refrain from using google classroom to make contact with your class teacher.