



Woolenwick Junior School

Year 3 Welcome Letter 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the new academic year at Woolenwick Juniors. We hope you and your family have had an enjoyable holiday and that your child is ready and refreshed for the year ahead!

Year 3 Staff

The following adults will be working with your child this year:

Teachers	Support Staff
Miss Prentice-Year 3 teacher Elm Mrs White- Year 3 teacher Spruce Mrs Jones	Miss Hines- TA Miss Shackell- TA Miss Cooper- TA PE team- Mr Whitehouse, Miss Howard, Mr Boyd Music teacher- Mrs Todd

Useful information

As always, excellent attendance and punctuality is essential to maintain good progress. We encourage children to be on site at 8:40am as the classroom doors will be opened at 8:45am. Doors will be closed at 9am, so please go to the main office should you arrive after this time. We finish at 3.30pm, please ensure that you have informed the office if your child is being collected by a different person at any time, thank you.

PE lessons in Year 3 are **on Tuesday and Wednesday**. Children should come to school dressed in correct PE kit - please remember that hoodies are not permitted. Children with earrings will need to remove these for PE or cover them with tape for safety (staff will not be able to do this for them).

Uniform - Please ensure you send your child in wearing the correct uniform each day, the uniform policy can be found on our website (also for PE). **Please clearly label all clothing and personal items.**

Water bottle - All children must have a **named** water bottle, filled up from home each morning, which is brought to school.

Home Learning

Reading - Children are encouraged to read every day, but are expected to read a minimum of five times a week, for fifteen minutes, and record this in their reading log. Reading books and logs need to be brought to school every day.

Times Tables - 30 minutes worth of games will be set each week on Times Table Rockstars. If you do not have access to a computer or other technology, please let us know so we can arrange access.

Atom homework is set to support the children with their maths and English and new tasks are posted each week. This is optional.

Children who do not complete their home learning will be required to complete this during a lunchtime.

Curriculum

There is lots of exciting learning planned this year. The topics in year 3 include:

Science	Rock Detectives, Amazing Bodies, Can You See Me? Forces and Magnets and Plants
French	Je me présente, La Famille, Au Café, As tu un animal?, En classe, Quel temps fait-il?
Geography	The United Kingdom & Local Study, Egypt, Rainforests
History	Prehistoric Britain, Ancient Egypt, Maya Civilisation

Art	Drawing and sketching, Sculpture, Painting
DT	Edible Garden, Containers, Moving Mechanisms
PE	Tennis, Football, Swimming, Cricket, Dance, Gymnastics and Rounders, OAA
PSHE	My Healthy Self, Connecting with Others, The Online World, Citizenship, Health Protection
RE	What makes us humans? Where do our morals come from? Is scripture central to religion? What happens if we do wrong? Why is water symbolic? Why is fire used ceremonially?
Music	Doods, Instruments and Improvisation, Composition.
Computing	E Safety, Networks, Coding, Databases, Computer skills, Stop Frame Animation

There is a lot more information about our curriculum on our school website: [Woolenwick Junior School - Home \(woolenwickjm.herts.sch.uk\)](http://woolenwickjm.herts.sch.uk)

Hopefully, this will give you an insight as to what your child will be studying and how you might be able to support this at home.

Trips & Experiences

Please see proposed trips and experiences for the year:

Trip	Month	Approximate Cost
Celtic Harmony (History)	Autumn term	£35
Pantomime – Gordon Craig	Autumn term	£15
Local Visit (Geography and Science)	Autumn Term	No Cost
Year Egyptian day	Spring term	£15
Frinton Beach Trip	Summer term	TBC
Henry Moore Foundation (Art)	Summer term	£35
Year 3 sleepover at school	Summer term	£5-8

Parent Communication

Class Dojo - Please sign up to Class Dojo so that you can access pictures and news of what your child has been learning. You will also be able to view the number of House Points they have earned.

This is the link to join **Spruce** class on class dojo:

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=class&class=6a9ed66e508d88dd8eee72b1>

This is the link to join **Elm** class on class dojo:

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=class&class=6a9ed693937d3ff57340a39e>

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to know more information about this term's learning and how to support your child please feel free to speak to us at the end of the day, when we are more than happy to help. Should you need a longer meeting, then please arrange this with the office.

We look forward to working with you and thank you for your continued support.

Miss Prentice and Mrs White

Year 3 Teachers