



St John's Gosport C of E (VA) Primary School

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Welcome to 3SS

Meet the Team:



Mrs. Schneider - Class Teacher



Mrs. Shaw - LSA

A Message from Your Class Team

Welcome to 3SS

We are very excited to have your child join our class in September. Let us tell you a little bit about ourselves so you can get to know the adults who will be supporting your child every day.

Hello, I am Mrs Schneider. I have taught at St John's since 1998 (with an 8 year gap in the middle to teach at some other schools). My favourite books are the Harry Potter series and I am part of an adult book club called Harbour Reads. I love spending time with my family of two grown up children, Ben and Ellie and my partner Nick. We have a dog called Meg, two cats called Cleo and Charlie and lots and lots of fish. I love crafting, going to the theatre to see musicals and travelling.

I am Mrs Shaw. I have 3 children, 1 girl and 2 boys. I have been married to Mr Shaw, who is in the Navy, for 19 years and we also have a dog called Merlin! I love to cook, listen to music and read. I also pretend to be good at gardening. My favourite colour is red and my favourite animal is an elephant.



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Topics covered

Autumn 1: Magic and Tricks, The Coldest places

Autumn 2: The Stone Age, Bronze age, Iron Age

Spring 1: Wild Things

Spring 2: I Want My Mummy! (Egyptians)

Summer 1: What A Waste! (Plastic Pollution)

Summer 2: Romans/Pompeii

Key points for KS1 to KS2

Additions to the curriculum at Key Stage 2

Core subjects for key stage 2 remain the same, English, maths and science, but the National Curriculum adds languages to the list of foundation subjects that children should experience. The National Curriculum framework states that: 'Teaching may be of any modern or ancient foreign language and should focus on enabling pupils to make substantial progress in one language.' If children are studying a modern foreign language, then it adds that the focus of study will be on 'practical communication'.

What to expect in Year 3:

The start of the new key stage can feel like a big change for your child. Learning will be more formalised and with less play. Children will be encouraged to have more independence both in their learning and in social interactions.

Reading continues to be a major focus, with the range of texts offered and explored broadening to encompass different types of writing - including poetry and non-fiction. The National Curriculum says that 'teaching comprehension should be taking precedence over teaching word reading directly'.



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In addition, in English, pupils will be taught to recognise themes in what they read, literary devices and conventions of different types of text. More sophisticated writing techniques will be introduced, including more complex grammar and how to structure their own writing and use direct speech.

Maths skills will build on Key Stage 1, adding further times tables, addition and subtraction of three digit numbers, investigating angles and more. There will be a focus on multiplication tables to begin preparing children for the Multiplication Tables Check in year 4.

Science topics in year 3 include rocks and fossils, magnetic forces, light, plants, and skeletons!

Morning Routine:

Here's where your child will enter in the morning:



Enter through this gate



Come in through these doors

Start time:

All children in KS2, years 2-6, will enter through the double doors, like on a wet, rainy day, between 0830-0840.

Home time:

Years 2-6 finish at 3:05pm Children will be brought out by an adult in their year group. Please note, we can not let children leave school without an adult. Year 3 will bring children out through the double doors and alongside the hut to meet their parents.



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TRANSITION

On Monday 6th July, Children will have their first transition day. They will go to their normal classroom, at the usual time. They will be brought to us by an adult in their class. At the end of the day, they will go back to their current class and will exit school through the normal day.

On day 2, Tuesday 7th July, Children will enter via their usual classroom, however at the end of the day they will leave with their new class. Parents and guardians are then invited to come and visit their child's new class.

In September of the new school year, you will be invited to the Meet the Teacher session after school, where you will find out more about Year 3 and have the opportunity to ask questions. The date will be confirmed in due course.

We look forward to seeing you all!

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Schneider and Mrs. Shaw



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