



WELCOME TO YEAR 3 OTTERS

September 2025



NATIONAL NURTURING SCHOOL



- <https://www.stpeters.herts.sch.uk/national-nurturing-school/>

6 Key principles

- We learn at our own pace and that's ok!
- Our wellbeing is the most important thing.
- Our classroom is a safe place.
- We show how we feel by the way we behave.
- We use words to express ourselves.
- We all experience change and can support each other through it.





CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT / ROUTINES

- Drop off and pick up from outside door
- Indoor/outdoor shoes stored on shoe racks
- Quick messages on the door
- Morning activities 8.40 – 9.00
- Changing books
- Break time – 11.00am
- Lunchtime – 12.15pm



CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

- **Autumn Term** – Stone, Bronze and Iron Age. Animals including Humans. Rocks. Shell Structures. Planet Omar.
- **Spring Term** – Local Area, Forces, Light. The Witches. Sandwiches.
- **Summer Term** – Climate Zones, Megacities, Plants. The Land of Roar. Purses.

More information can be found on the Long term plan and in our termly class letters.



AUTUMN TIMETABLE

	8.40 – 9.00	9.00 – 9.20	9.20 – 9.45	9.45 – 10.05	10.05 – 11.00	11.00 – 11.15	11.15 – 11.30	11.30 – 12.15	12.15– 1.15	1.15 – 2.15	2.15 – 3.15	
Mon	Spelling or Quiet reading	Spelling	WCR	English		10.40am Assembly	Break	Maths Fluency	Maths	Lunch	Computing	PE
Tues	Handwriting	Assembly	Spelling (Mrs Zawadzka)	WCR	English	Break	Maths Fluency	Maths	Lunch	History/Geography	RE	
Wed	Maths Fluency	Singing Assembly	Spelling	WCR	English	Break	Maths Fluency	Maths	Lunch	Science	PE	
Thurs	Spelling practice	Circle Time	Spelling	WCR	English	Break	Maths Fluency	Maths	Lunch	PSHE	DT/Art	
Fri	How to Draw/Colouring	Celebration Assembly	Spelling	WCR	English	Break	Maths Fluency	Maths	Lunch	PPA – French and Music (PPA Cover)		

SPELLING

- New scheme – ELS (Essential Letters and Sounds) which links to the phonics scheme we use in EYFS and KS1
- Spelling scheme it taught throughout the school.
- 3 lessons weekly
- Spelling and grammar content from the National Curriculum

Teach

Today we are going to look at the different spellings for the /or/ sound.

or	aw	au	al	ar
order	fawn	pause	walk	warm

augh	oar	oor	ore
daughter	roar	floor	more

Year 3 • Unit 17

Root morpheme: quest

con re	quest	ed ing s	
	ask, seek	ion	able ed ing s

Remember

Have you heard of a hero going on a quest? A quest is a long search where someone is seeking something, especially something precious or valuable.

Use the morpheme grid to build word sums using the root morpheme **quest**.

COMMUNICATION



- Adult will greet your child on the door
- otters@stpeters.herts.sch.uk
- mychildtoday@stpeters.herts.sch.uk – cc for emails regarding pick arrangements during the day.
- Talk to us after school
- Call or visit our main office - urgent!
- School Newsletters – fortnightly
- Website updates- Class pages updated weekly
- Google Classroom – homework and other notices

WHO TO CONTACT?



Ms Godfrey
School Business
Manager

- Concerns or questions about the school premises.
- Support for financial difficulties.

Mrs Hawker
Assistant Head &
INCO

- Concerns about children on the SEND register.
- Advice and support after consultation with the class teacher.
- Safeguarding concerns.

Miss Taylor
Phase Leaders

- Concerns about behaviour or curriculum content in Year 3 and 4 after discussion with the class teacher.
- Questions about the teaching in Year 3 and 4.

Mrs Zawadzka
Deputy Head

- Safeguarding concerns, including Online Safety and Radicalisation
- Concerns not resolved by the phase leader.
- Questions around Pupil Premium Allocation.
- Concerns about school policies or procedures.

Ms Masterton
Headteacher

- Safeguarding concerns.
- Concerns about staff conduct.
- Concerns not resolved by the Deputy Head.
- Formal complaints about school policies and procedures.

LEARNING AT HOME



- Reading every day if possible, but at least 3 times a week. Please record any reading in your child's reading record.
- Weekly spellings – tested on a Friday- (but needs to be seen in writing.)
- Maths homework via [DoodleLearning.co.uk](https://www.doodlelearning.co.uk) – Little and often. Children to stay in the green zone.

UNIFORM

A couple of reminders:

Grey pinafore, skirt or culottes Grey school shorts or trousers.

PE Kits – Navy Shorts, blue or white T shirt, Navy jogging bottoms, Navy Hoodie, Trainers

Jewellery cannot be worn except small stud earrings and watches, and must be removed for PE.

Swimming kits every Friday (hair tied back would be helpful).

NAME EVERYTHING PLEASE!



WEBSITE



- Class updates
- Information slides
- Safeguarding
- Policies
- Contact us
- Dates



@stpeterschoo1 @StPeters_Sport

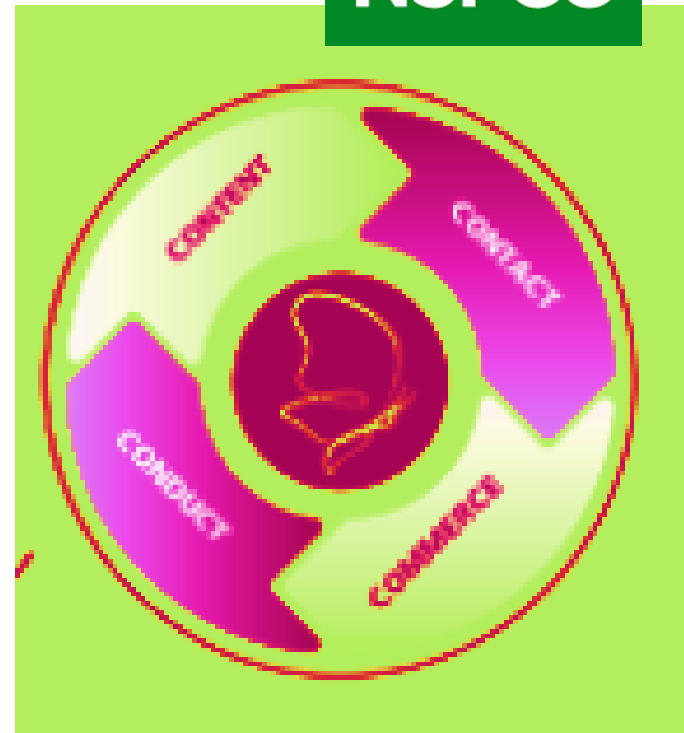
ONLINE SAFETY

internet
matters.org



- Taught throughout the school in all curriculum areas.
- Online Ambassadors
- Wake up Wednesdays posts on X
- Section on school website
- Tips on fortnightly newsletter

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SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD



**We're united
for childhood**

Join the growing movement of families who
believe childhood's too short to scroll away



ATTENDANCE

Being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing 2 weeks of school.



Being 5 minutes late every day is the same as 3 days off school.





HELPING AT SCHOOL



- All welcome to help in school.
- Reading, cooking, sewing, trips, talking to children about your culture, leading assemblies
- References and DBS checks are required if volunteering more than 3 times a term.
- Ms Masterton will be holding a meeting for more information



Wednesday 24th September at 14:30



QUESTIONS?

Class Assembly - Friday 16th January

*Learn and Share – Wednesday 15th October
8.40am – 9.30*