

JSS 3 – THIRD TERM SCHEME OF WORK

New NERDC Approved Curriculum 2025

Federal Republic of Nigeria – Junior Secondary School Three

Weeks 1–10 | All 13 Core Subjects Including PVS | BECE/JSCE Examination Term

About This Scheme of Work

This JSS 3 Third Term Scheme of Work is prepared in accordance with the new NERDC Approved Curriculum 2025 for Junior Secondary School Three. It covers Weeks 1 to 10 across all 13 core subjects and is structured around final BECE/JSCE examination preparation. The term progresses from concept completion (Weeks 1–6) through a Mock Examination (Week 7), result review (Week 8), transition guidance (Week 9), to final readiness checks (Week 10), ensuring students complete the JSS curriculum fully prepared for the Basic Education Certificate Examination.

Note on Pre-Vocational Studies (PVS)

PVS replaces the former standalone Agriculture and Home Economics subjects. In this scheme, both strands are combined under a single PVS row for each week. Schools may assign separate subject teachers for the Agriculture strand and the Home Economics strand respectively. Both strands include final practical project work and continuous assessment compilation in preparation for BECE practical scoring.

WEEK	SUBJECT	TOPIC / CONTENT
NOTE: Resumption Week. Teachers review Second Term results, recap key second term concepts, and introduce the Third Term scope, emphasising that this final term builds directly toward the BECE/JSCE examinations.		
WEEK 1	English Studies	Recap of second term grammar and comprehension skills; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE English examination format and requirements
	Mathematics	Recap of second term topics (mensuration, geometry); overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE Mathematics examination format and past question patterns
	Nigerian Language	Recap of second term oral and written topics; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE Nigerian Language examination requirements
	Basic Science & Technology	Recap of second term topics; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE Basic Science & Technology examination format

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	PHE	Recap of second term sports and fitness topics; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE PHE examination requirements
	PVS	Agriculture strand: Recap of second term farming topics / Home Economics strand: Recap of second term home management topics; overview of Third Term scope
	Digital Technology	Recap of second term computing topics; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE Digital Technology / Computer Studies examination format
	CRS / IRS	CRS: Recap of second term Bible topics / IRS: Recap of second term Islamic topics; overview of Third Term scope and BECE examination format
	Nigerian History	Recap of second term history topics; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE Nigerian History examination format
	Social & Citizenship Studies	Recap of second term government and citizenship topics; overview of Third Term scope; BECE Civic Education examination format
	CCA	Recap of second term art and music topics; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to project/practical assessment requirements
	Business Studies	Recap of second term business topics; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE Business Studies examination format
	French	Recap of second term French topics; overview of Third Term scope; introduction to BECE French examination format

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WEEK 2	English Studies	Literature: Drama – elements of drama, plot structure, characterisation, and themes; study of a recommended JSS 3 drama text for BECE preparation

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	Mathematics	Variation – direct and inverse variation; joint variation; solving real-life problems involving variation
	Nigerian Language	Comprehensive grammar revision – tense, concord, and sentence types in Nigerian language; practice with past BECE-style questions
	Basic Science & Technology	Energy – forms of energy (heat, light, sound, electrical, mechanical), sources, conservation, and transformation of energy
	PHE	Officiating and game organisation – roles of referees, umpires, and officials in various sports; organising an inter-house sports event
	PVS	Agriculture: Farm records and farm business management – importance, types of records, simple farm budgeting / Home Economics: Family resource management – managing time, money, and energy in the home
	Digital Technology	Database concepts – meaning of a database, tables, fields, records; introduction to simple database creation using MS Access or Excel tables
	CRS / IRS	CRS: The Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ – significance for Christian faith and salvation / IRS: Day of Judgement (Qiyamah) – signs, events, and significance for Muslim conduct
	Nigerian History	Nigeria's independence and the First Republic (1960–1966) – key events, leaders, achievements, and challenges of early self-governance
	Social & Citizenship Studies	Nigeria and international relations – ECOWAS, African Union, United Nations; Nigeria's role and obligations in international bodies
	CCA	Portfolio development – compiling and presenting a personal art/music portfolio of work completed across JSS 1–3 for project assessment
	Business Studies	Insurance – meaning, principles, types (life, fire, motor); importance of insurance to individuals and businesses
	French	Career and future plans – vocabulary for professions; expressing future intentions using "aller" + infinitive (futur proche)

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WEEK 3	English Studies	Grammar: Direct and indirect (reported) speech – rules for conversion, reporting verbs, tense changes; extensive BECE-style practice exercises
	Mathematics	Trigonometry – sine, cosine, and tangent ratios; use of trigonometric ratios to solve problems involving right-angled triangles
	Nigerian Language	Translation skills – translating simple passages between English and Nigerian language; common translation pitfalls and how to avoid them
	Basic Science & Technology	Simple machines – levers, pulleys, inclined planes, wheel and axle; mechanical advantage and applications in everyday technology
	PHE	Sports injuries and management – common injuries (sprains, strains, fractures), prevention strategies, RICE first-aid method
	PVS	Agriculture: Farm mechanisation – simple and modern farm machinery, advantages and challenges of mechanised farming in Nigeria / Home Economics: Entrepreneurship in home economics – starting a small catering, fashion, or craft business
	Digital Technology	Networking basics – LAN, WAN, the internet; how computers connect and share information; wired vs wireless networking
	CRS / IRS	CRS: The Great Commission and the spread of Christianity – Christian mission and witness in the modern world / IRS: Islam and contemporary issues – honesty, hard work, and good citizenship in Islamic teaching
	Nigerian History	Military rule in Nigeria – the 1966 coups, the Nigerian Civil War causes (recap), and military governance from 1966–1979
	Social & Citizenship Studies	National integration and unity – challenges (ethnicity, religion, regionalism); strategies for promoting unity in a diverse Nigeria
	CCA	Exhibition preparation – curating, labelling, and displaying art and craft works; preparing a class exhibition or end-of-JSS showcase
	Business Studies	Taxation in Nigeria – meaning, types of taxes (direct and indirect), importance of tax revenue to government
	French	Comparisons and superlatives – comparative and superlative adjective forms; comparing people, places, and things in French

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WEEK 4	English Studies	Writing: Argumentative/persuasive essay – structure, techniques of persuasion, counter-arguments; guided practice with BECE-style essay topics
	Mathematics	Bearings and distances – compass bearings, three-figure bearings, scale drawing; solving real-life navigation and distance problems
	Nigerian Language	Composition writing in Nigerian language – formal and informal essays; practice for BECE composition section
	Basic Science & Technology	Electricity and magnetism – simple circuits, conductors and insulators, magnets and magnetic fields; everyday applications
	PHE	Leadership and teamwork in sports – captaincy, sportsmanship, fair play, and conflict resolution among team members
	PVS	Agriculture: Marketing of agricultural produce – channels, pricing, value addition, and challenges facing Nigerian farmers / Home Economics: Interior decoration – principles of home design, colour, furniture arrangement
	Digital Technology	Cybersecurity and digital citizenship – online threats, viruses, malware; responsible and ethical use of digital technology
	CRS / IRS	CRS: The fruits of the Holy Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience and their application to daily Christian living / IRS: The five pillars of Islam – comprehensive review and their role in shaping a Muslim's life
	Nigerian History	Return to civil rule – the Second Republic (1979–1983); achievements, challenges, and the 1983 coup
	Social & Citizenship Studies	Corruption and good governance – meaning, causes, effects of corruption; anti-corruption agencies in Nigeria (EFCC, ICPC)
	CCA	Career paths in creative arts – overview of careers in fine art, music, fashion, and design; requirements for further study in creative arts at SSS level
	Business Studies	Trade and commerce – home trade and foreign trade (import/export); balance of trade and balance of payments basics
	French	Describing personality and character – adjectives of personality; talking about oneself and others in detail

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WEEK 5	English Studies	Literature: Poetry analysis – figures of speech (simile, metaphor, personification, alliteration); analysing a recommended JSS 3 poem for BECE preparation
	Mathematics	Probability – meaning, simple probability calculations, probability of single events; real-life applications of probability
	Nigerian Language	Literature in Nigerian language – study of a recommended prose or drama text; themes, characters, and moral lessons
	Basic Science & Technology	Ecosystem and environmental conservation – biodiversity, conservation methods, climate change basics, and Nigeria's environmental policies
	PHE	Health education – communicable and non-communicable diseases; HIV/AIDS awareness, prevention, and stigma reduction
	PVS	Agriculture: Agricultural extension services – role of extension officers, modern farming information dissemination / Home Economics: Career opportunities in home economics – catering, fashion design, interior decoration, nutrition
	Digital Technology	Revision of word processing, spreadsheets, and presentations; integrated project combining all three for BECE practical preparation
	CRS / IRS	CRS: Christian marriage and family life – biblical principles on marriage, roles, and responsibilities within the Christian family / IRS: Marriage in Islam – conditions, rights and responsibilities of spouses, family values
	Nigerian History	Military rule continued – Buhari, Babangida, Abacha regimes; transition programmes and their outcomes
	Social & Citizenship Studies	Conflict resolution and peace education – causes of conflict, peaceful resolution methods, the role of dialogue and tolerance
	CCA	Final practical project – students complete an independent creative project (art, craft, or music composition) demonstrating skills learnt across JSS
	Business Studies	Office practice – office layout, office machines and equipment, filing systems; the role of an office in business operations
	French	Environment and nature – vocabulary for environmental issues; discussing climate and conservation simply in French

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WEEK 6	English Studies	Comprehensive grammar revision – tenses, concord, clauses, and sentence types; intensive BECE past-question practice and error correction
	Mathematics	Mensuration revision – area, volume, and surface area of 2D and 3D shapes; intensive BECE past-question practice
	Nigerian Language	Intensive BECE past-question practice – grammar, comprehension, and composition sections; timed practice exercises
	Basic Science & Technology	Revision of energy, simple machines, electricity, and ecosystems; intensive BECE past-question practice
	PHE	Revision of all PHE practical and theory topics across JSS; intensive BECE past-question practice
	PVS	Agriculture: Revision of farm records, mechanisation, marketing, and extension services / Home Economics: Revision of resource management, entrepreneurship, and interior decoration; BECE past-question practice
	Digital Technology	Revision of databases, networking, and cybersecurity; intensive BECE past-question practice on theory and practical sections
	CRS / IRS	CRS: Revision of resurrection, fruits of the Spirit, and Christian family life; BECE past-question practice / IRS: Revision of Qiyamah, five pillars, and marriage in Islam; BECE past-question practice
	Nigerian History	Revision of independence, First/Second Republics, and military rule; intensive BECE past-question practice
	Social & Citizenship Studies	Revision of international relations, national integration, and corruption; intensive BECE past-question practice
	CCA	Revision and refinement of final practical projects; preparation of portfolios for assessment and exhibition
	Business Studies	Revision of insurance, taxation, trade, and office practice; intensive BECE past-question practice
	French	Revision of careers, comparisons, personality, and environment topics; intensive BECE past-question practice

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NOTE: Mid-Term Review and Mock Examination Week. Schools conduct mock BECE/JSCE examinations across all		

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<i>subjects under timed, exam-like conditions to prepare students psychologically and academically for the real examinations.</i>		
WEEK 7	English Studies	Mock BECE examination – Objective Test, Theory (Essay), and Test of Orals; full timed paper under examination conditions
	Mathematics	Mock BECE examination – Objective Test and Theory paper covering all topics from JSS 1–3; full timed paper under examination conditions
	Nigerian Language	Mock BECE examination – Objective Test, Essay, and Oral components under examination conditions
	Basic Science & Technology	Mock BECE examination – Objective Test and Theory paper under examination conditions
	PHE	Mock BECE examination – theory paper; practical skills assessment and continuous assessment compilation
	PVS	Mock BECE examination – Agriculture and Home Economics theory papers; practical assessment compilation for both strands
	Digital Technology	Mock BECE examination – theory paper and hands-on practical assessment on computer use
	CRS / IRS	CRS / IRS: Mock BECE examination – theory papers covering all topics studied across JSS 1–3
	Nigerian History	Mock BECE examination – theory paper covering pre-colonial, colonial, and post-independence Nigerian history
	Social & Citizenship Studies	Mock BECE examination – Civic Education theory paper under examination conditions
	CCA	Mock practical assessment – submission and grading of final projects and portfolios; theory paper if applicable

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	Business Studies	Mock BECE examination – theory paper covering all Business Studies topics from JSS 1–3
	French	Mock BECE examination – written and oral components under examination conditions

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WEEK 8	English Studies	Mock examination review – common errors analysis; targeted remediation on weak areas identified from the mock BECE results
	Mathematics	Mock examination review – common errors analysis; targeted remediation on weak topics identified from the mock BECE results
	Nigerian Language	Mock examination review – feedback on errors; targeted practice on weak areas in grammar, comprehension, and composition
	Basic Science & Technology	Mock examination review – feedback and remediation on commonly missed concepts; clarification of difficult topics
	PHE	Mock examination review – feedback on theory performance; final practical skills polishing for assessment
	PVS	Agriculture & Home Economics: Mock examination review – feedback on weak areas; final practical project completion and submission
	Digital Technology	Mock examination review – feedback and remediation; final practice on typing speed, formatting, and spreadsheet skills
	CRS / IRS	CRS / IRS: Mock examination review – feedback on weak areas; clarification of difficult theological and ethical concepts
	Nigerian History	Mock examination review – feedback on weak areas; clarification of confusing historical timelines and events
	Social & Citizenship Studies	Mock examination review – feedback on weak areas; clarification of civic concepts and institutional structures
	CCA	Final exhibition – class or school-wide display of completed art, craft, and music projects; peer and teacher feedback

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	Business Studies	Mock examination review – feedback on weak areas; clarification of accounting and trade concepts
	French	Mock examination review – feedback on weak areas; oral fluency practice and pronunciation correction

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NOTE: Transition and Guidance Week. In addition to subject revision, schools organise career guidance and counselling sessions to help students choose Science, Arts, or Commercial subject combinations as they prepare to transition into Senior Secondary School (SSS 1).		
WEEK 9	English Studies	Intensive BECE past-question practice – full-length timed papers; speed and accuracy drills; guidance on examination day strategies
	Mathematics	Intensive BECE past-question practice – full-length timed papers; common BECE traps and shortcuts; examination day strategies
	Nigerian Language	Intensive BECE past-question practice – full-length timed papers; final oral practice sessions
	Basic Science & Technology	Intensive BECE past-question practice – full-length timed papers; key formula and concept summary sheets
	PHE	Final theory revision and practice; compilation of continuous assessment scores for BECE submission
	PVS	Agriculture & Home Economics: Final theory revision; compilation of practical project scores for BECE submission
	Digital Technology	Final practical and theory revision; compilation of project work for BECE practical assessment submission
	CRS / IRS	CRS / IRS: Final theory revision using summarised notes; key Bible/Quran references and themes review
	Nigerian History	Final theory revision using timelines and summary notes covering pre-colonial to post-independence history

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	Social & Citizenship Studies	Final theory revision; transition guidance: choosing Science, Arts, or Commercial subject combinations for SSS 1
	CCA	Reflection and showcase wrap-up; guidance on creative arts options available at SSS level (Fine Art, Music, Home Economics)
	Business Studies	Final theory revision; guidance on Commercial subject combination options for students proceeding to SSS 1
	French	Final oral and written revision; guidance on language options available at SSS level

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NOTE: BECE/JSCE Preparation and Examination Readiness Week. This final instructional week focuses on full syllabus revision, examination logistics briefing, and psychological readiness for the Basic Education Certificate Examination.		
WEEK 10	English Studies	Complete syllabus revision – Objective, Theory, and Oral English; final tips on time management and answering techniques for the BECE paper
	Mathematics	Complete syllabus revision – all topics from JSS 1 to JSS 3; final tips on calculation accuracy and showing working for the BECE paper
	Nigerian Language	Complete syllabus revision – grammar, comprehension, composition, and oral components; final BECE readiness check
	Basic Science & Technology	Complete syllabus revision – Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Technology themes; final BECE readiness check
	PHE	Complete syllabus revision; final compilation and submission of all continuous assessment and practical scores

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	PVS	Agriculture & Home Economics: Complete syllabus revision; final compilation and submission of all practical project scores
	Digital Technology	Complete syllabus revision; final compilation and submission of all practical assessment scores
	CRS / IRS	CRS / IRS: Complete syllabus revision; final BECE readiness check on all theological, ethical, and historical topics
	Nigerian History	Complete syllabus revision – pre-colonial, colonial, and post-independence Nigeria; final BECE readiness check
	Social & Citizenship Studies	Complete syllabus revision; final BECE readiness check; briefing on examination day conduct and ethics
	CCA	Final submission of all portfolios and practical projects for continuous assessment grading
	Business Studies	Complete syllabus revision; final BECE readiness check on bookkeeping, trade, and commerce topics
	French	Complete syllabus revision; final oral and written BECE readiness check

Subject Overview: Third Term Focus Areas

SUBJECT	FIRST TERM FOCUS AREAS
English Studies	Drama study; reported speech; argumentative essay writing; poetry analysis; comprehensive grammar revision; intensive BECE past-question practice; mock examination
Mathematics	Variation; trigonometry; bearings and distances; probability; mensuration revision; algebraic processes; intensive BECE past-question practice; mock examination
Nigerian Language	Grammar revision; translation skills; composition writing; literature study; intensive BECE past-question practice; mock examination
Basic Science & Technology	Energy; simple machines; electricity and magnetism; ecosystem and conservation; revision; intensive BECE past-question practice; mock examination

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PHE	Officiating and game organisation; sports injuries; leadership and teamwork; health education; revision; mock examination and continuous assessment compilation
PVS – Agriculture Strand	Farm records and business management; farm mechanisation; marketing of produce; extension services; revision; mock examination and project compilation
PVS – Home Economics Strand	Family resource management; entrepreneurship; interior decoration; career opportunities; revision; mock examination and project compilation
Digital Technology	Database concepts; networking basics; cybersecurity and digital citizenship; integrated practical project; revision; mock examination
CRS / IRS	CRS: Crucifixion/Resurrection, Great Commission, fruits of the Spirit, Christian marriage, Paul's missionary journeys / IRS: Qiyamah, five pillars, marriage in Islam, Fiqh; revision and mock examination
Nigerian History	Independence and First Republic; military rule; Second Republic; revision of pre-colonial to post-independence history; mock examination
Social & Citizenship Studies	International relations; national integration; corruption and good governance; conflict resolution; revision; mock examination; SSS transition guidance
CCA	Portfolio development; exhibition preparation; final independent practical project; career paths in creative arts; final exhibition and submission
Business Studies	Insurance; taxation; trade and commerce; office practice; revision; intensive BECE past-question practice; mock examination
French	Careers and future plans; comparisons and superlatives; personality description; environment and nature; revision; mock examination

Important Notes on the Academic Calendar

Week 11: BECE/JSCE Examinations begin – Students sit the Basic Education Certificate Examination as scheduled by the State/National Examination Board.

Weeks 12–13: Continuation of BECE/JSCE Examinations and post-examination activities – result processing, graduation/valedictory ceremony, and transition preparation for SSS 1 admission.

Abbreviations: PVS = Pre-Vocational Studies | CRS = Christian Religious Studies | IRS = Islamic Religious Studies | PHE = Physical & Health Education | CCA = Cultural & Creative Arts | MS = Microsoft | BECE = Basic Education Certificate Examination | JSCE = Junior School Certificate Examination | SSS = Senior Secondary School | NERDC = Nigerian Educational Research and Development Council