

Welcome TO YEAR 3

A note from Mrs Jennings

Welcome to Year 3! I hope that you have all had a lovely summer. I am so pleased the Year 3 children are back and hope they are very eager to learn. I am excited to be teaching them all this year and I know they are going to love all the exciting things I have planned.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

As it is such an important time for Year 3, it is vital that children are in school (on time) every day to maximise learning.

The doors open at 8.45am and the children will have a curriculum activity to complete.

Registration is at 8.55 and lessons begin at 9am.

YEAR 3 P.E.

This term PE will be on

Mondays and Thursdays.

Children should come to school in their PE kit on these days. PE kit is a plain white t-shirt, black shorts or leggings/jogging bottoms and trainers or pumps. Children should wear their school jumper/cardigan as normal.

Y3 DAILY TIMETABLE

8.45 Morning Activity + Register

9am Lesson One

10am Worship

10.20 Lesson Two

11am BREAK

11.15 Lesson Three

12.15 LUNCHTIME

1.15 Afternoon lessons

3.15 Hometime

In Year 3 we are helped everyday by our wonderful teaching assistant, Miss Burrow. She will be working in Year 3 every morning starting at 9am and 2 afternoons a week, finishing at 3pm. Please note that I will be on my own first thing in the morning and last thing in the afternoon on these days. If there is something urgent you need to tell me please send a note in or contact the office. I don't always get a chance to check my emails until later in the day. Mrs Overfield will be in Y3 on a Monday and Tuesday afternoon. Mrs Gregory will be teaching science and computing on a Wednesday morning.

As you can see from our timetable there are some changes from the times in KS1. The morning is a little longer and they have longer to wait for lunchtime! Please send in a HEALTHY snack for break time as KS2 do not receive fruit. No chocolate or crisps please.

Helping at Home

SPELLINGS

Each week, on a Monday, the children will be given a list of spellings to look at throughout the week. We will complete daily activities including identifying and sorting the sounds, counting the syllables and phonemes, etymology and other short tasks. The children will also be expected to look at their spellings at home and complete their look, say, cover, write, check activity. They will then be tested the following Monday morning. This is done by putting the words in context within a sentence so this is also good to practise at home. The children will also be completing activities on the spelling shed app. Their log in details are in their reading record.

READING

- Your child will bring home their home reading book tonight. Please try to listen to your child read their school book at least 4 x a week and ask questions to check their understanding.
- Please send their book and diary into school daily.
- The children can change their book on any day and will be responsible for choosing a new book before handing it in to be marked off. Please encourage them to remember to do this!!
- The children can earn rewards for the number of times they read each week - see separate information.

HOMEWORK

- English homework will be set on a Monday to be completed by the following Monday.
- Maths homework will be set on a Tuesday to be completed by the following Monday.
- In addition to this we will be focusing on our times tables so please encourage your child to practise at home.

Homework is there to support the work we do in school, I do not want any child to be worried about any of the activities they have been asked to do. Please get in touch if any problems arise with any aspect of the homework.

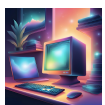
WHAT TO BRING EACH DAY

- A named water bottle
- Healthy snack for break time
- School reading book and diary
- Spelling book (Mondays)
- Homework (Mondays)
- A packed lunch if not having a school dinner

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH!



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Please remember to check the class page on the website regularly. This will include important information and photos of what we have been learning. Check out the page now to see some photos of our new classroom.

REMINDERS

A curriculum newsletter will be posted on the class website page at the beginning of each half term. Please check it for up to date information and details of our current topics. I have attached this half terms to this welcome letter.

Reading Challenge

READING IS THE GATEWAY FOR CHILDREN THAT
MAKES ALL OTHER LEARNING POSSIBLE.
BARACK OBAMA



YEAR 3 READING CHALLENGE

To encourage frequent reading we have designed a special reading challenge for all the children to get involved with. This is not for the amount read but simply for how many times they have read that week. If the children have read at least 4 times in the week, and this has been recorded and signed by a parent in their reading record, they will receive a sticker on their bookmark. Even if they have only read one page, it still counts as one occasion. This can also be a mix of school reading books and their own books at home.

When one side of their bookmark is full they will receive a small prize. Reading records will be collected in on a Friday and stickers awarded.

