



Year 3 Class Newsletter Term 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable summer and are looking forward to the term ahead. We are looking forward to welcoming the children to Year 3 and getting to know them better over the coming term.

Please see below for some useful information about Year 3. Attached to this letter is our Curriculum Map which shows what we will be learning this term.

Home Learning: At the start of each topic, the children will be given a list of activities to help them find out more about our topic and their classroom learning. More details to follow when homework begins.

Spellings: This year we are introducing a new spelling scheme, which we will launch in the next few weeks. We will be teaching and practising spelling rules during the week in class, and the children will be given a login to practise these at home.

Times Tables: In Year 3, children will be practising their times tables using an online app called Times Tables Rockstars. Children will be shown how to use this in class and their logins will be handed out this term.

Reading: In class, we develop reading skills through regular guided reading sessions. These involve reading and discussing different types of texts. It is really important that your child also continues to read regularly at home. Children should be reading or sharing a book around 5 times a week. As well as listening to your child read, it also helps to ask questions about the story and characters. Please ask if we can help with this.

The children will be given a new KS2 reading record with books from our reading scheme. Please remind your child to bring these into school every day.

PE: Our PE sessions this term are indoors and will be on Friday mornings. If your child is unable to do PE for any reason, they will need to bring in a signed note or you can inform the office. Swimming will begin for Opera class this term and Reggae later on in the year. A separate letter will be sent to you about this.

Water and fruit: All children should bring in a named bottle with water every day. No squash or juice please! Children may bring in a piece of fruit for fruit break.

Pencil cases and toys: Children should not bring toys into school as these can be distracting and easily lost. Pencil cases are not needed in lessons.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to one of us after school or leave a message with the school office in the mornings. If you would like to meet for a more formal chat, you can contact us after school or via the office and we can arrange a time.

We look forward to meeting you over the coming term!

Miss Edwards and Mrs Wright