

## Year 3 Newsletter

Hello and Welcome to Year 3! We hope you have all had a restful and enjoyable summer and are ready for the new term. This letter is an opportunity for me to be able to share this term's curriculum with you and other useful information.

### Curriculum overview:

**Topic (English, Geography, History, ICT, Art, Design Technology):** Scrumdiddlyumptious (All things food!)

**Science:** Animals including humans.

**Maths:** Place value of 3 digit numbers, Addition and subtraction.

### Key Stage Two

As the children are now in Year 3 they have also joined Key Stage Two which means the daily time table is slightly different. The children now have a later morning playtime at 10.50 and then go to dinner ten minutes later at 12.10. There is no afternoon playtime for Key Stage Two. Whilst there is no afternoon play we have incorporated some 'Golden time' into the Year 3 timetable. Golden Time is a reward for good behaviour and remembering the Expected Rules, this is independent choosing time.



### Times tables

Times tables are an important part of the maths curriculum. Please could you support your child in learning these at home. The initial focus should be on developing the quick recall of the 2, 5 and 10 times table which were taught in previous years and then 3, 4 and 8 times table as they are introduced in Year 3. Children's times table rockstar login will be stuck into their homework book. Please use this excellent online resource to support your child with learning their times tables.

### Reading

Within Key Stage Two we like the children to become more independent readers and develop a love of reading for pleasure! The children will be given lots of time in class to read and we try to hear individual readers as much as possible. We encourage the children to read and record what they have read at home and during school time independently and neatly in their reading diaries. The children will be given book review books where they will record their thoughts and brief information about books read. You can support your children with this and also continue to hear them and read to them at home as much as possible, discussing new vocabulary and themes within the books.



## **General Notices**

**Homework:** Homework will be set on a **Friday** to be handed in the following **Thursday**. This will include weekly spellings, maths activities and home reading time. There will also be topic homework set which could be a termly project linked to the topic or a research activity to support work in lessons. Children will be given time within class to complete homework if needed. Children will bring home a homework book detailing any homework given.

**PE:** PE is on a **Wednesday** with Mrs Stanton and a **Friday** with our MSP coach. PE kits (fully labelled) should be kept in school at all times in case timetables need to change. Children should have kits appropriate for both indoor and outdoor sessions.

**Twitter:** Don't forget to follow **@year3lea** on twitter. We try to update daily and it is a great way to see what your children have been doing all day. If you have already followed a class before you will be accepted but if you are new to twitter you will need to gain a form from the office to give details of your twitter account.

**Evergreen:** We are continuing the Evergreen Reward system across school. The children earn their evergreen and at the end of everyday your child will be given a green leaf to put on their evergreen chart. This is a reward for good behaviour every day. Acceptable and unacceptable behaviour has been discussed and agreed with the children within class.

**Drinks Bottles:** Children are allowed a bottle of water within the classroom. Could you please provide a water bottle for your child. We will ensure they are sent home regularly for cleaning!

I hope your child enjoys their first term in year 3. Any concerns or questions please come and see me. I am always around at the end of the school day by the door where year 3 will exit.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Stanton