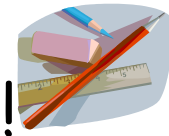




Welcome to Year 3!



Welcome to Year 3! I hope you find this information useful and that it answers any questions you may have.

Curriculum

This year the school is embracing a new creative curriculum where the children are taught different skills. In the mornings, children will still receive an hour of numeracy and literacy as well as half an hour guided reading. The afternoons will be taken over by topic work, ranging from art and craft activities to computer based research. Our topic this term is changes but please see the topic overview for further details.

Resources

Your child may bring in a pencil case, as long as it isn't too large for their drawer. Please ensure that all items are clearly labelled with your child's name. Please keep PE kits in school all week (white t-shirt, black/navy shorts, and white/black trainers). We usually do indoor gymnastics or dance on Tuesday and outdoor PE on Monday. However, due to the weather we have to remain flexible and there may be other times when we go outside for Games. Jogging bottoms are permitted in colder weather but please make sure they are navy blue or black. If your child forgets any item of their P.E more than once, you will receive a letter about it.



Reading



We will endeavour to hear your children read at least once a week in school. Please read regularly at home with your children and then sign the blue record book. This will help them to move up the reading tree. Once the children reach step 15 at the top, they receive a certificate. The second time they reach the top, they get a bookworm and from then on after, each time they reach the top they get a prize from the prize tin.

Homework



Homework will be set fortnightly on a Friday and due in the following Friday. The activity usually relates to work undertaken in class and should take between 30 minutes up to an hour. Please support your child with their homework and sign it once completed. If your child could not carry out their homework activity, then please inform me in writing.

Spellings/Times tables

Spellings will be given out once a week on Fridays and tested on the following Friday. You may find that your child has more spellings to learn this year. Times tables will also be given out and tested on Friday. We shall start with going over the two, five and ten times tables and then begin our three and four times tables. Please note that the tables will not be tested in order and they will also be asked to learn to divide by that number. I will try to ensure that all homework is posted on the website but if you can't find it or are in any doubt, please see me for a spare copy. I know that homework sometimes doesn't find its way home to you!

Rewards and Sanctions



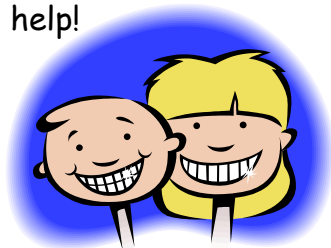
I use a 3 tiered card system to reinforce good behaviour within the classroom. A yellow card is given out as a warning and may be given back at the end of the lesson. If rules are not adhered to, then an orange card is swapped for the yellow card. This is a second warning and must be kept on their desk until the end of the day. A red card is given out when the first two warning cards are ignored. Children will then receive a 20 minute detention during a break or lunch time.

You may have heard your child mention 'golden time'. Golden time is a reward given out at the end of the week. The class begins with 10 minutes of golden time and are given opportunities throughout the week to earn more minutes. The maximum amount is usually 30 minutes and the children are allowed free choice from a range of activities.



ADULT HELP

I would really like some adult help this year! Please see me if you wish to join in with the Year 3 Learning Experience! If you are pushed for time, just 30 minutes at the end of the day would be a great help!



Thank you for your time!

Feel free to pop in and see me after school if you would like to discuss anything. Please be aware that I may be running a club or at a meeting but we can arrange an appointment for a suitable time!