



Dear Parents/Carers and children,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our 'Welcome to Year 3' session, giving an outline of some of our learning over this term and how to continue to support your child over the year. Please see below a brief outline of this term's learning!

### **General Overview of the Term's Learning**

Here's a brief overview of what to expect this term in Year 3:

- **English:** Poetry, stories and letter writing. Our guided reading fiction texts are 'The Last Bear' and 'Project Omar'. We will read poems and non-fiction related to our learning in History, Science and Geography.
- **Maths:** This term's maths curriculum will include Place Value to 100, Addition and Subtraction, and Multiplication and Division strategies.
- **Science:** Pupils will investigate 'Rocks' and 'Animals including humans'.
- **History/Geography:** Exploring the changes during the 'Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age' and 'Maps'.
- **Art/DT:** 'Gestural Drawing' using charcoal and our 'Food' unit in DT focuses on eating seasonally. Please start collecting and freezing some blackberries.
- **Music:** Our lessons will focus on singing and playing instruments following the Charanga Unit 'Playing in a Band'.
- **PE:** Pupils will play Tag Rugby and Netball outside and focus on Gymnastics and Dance in the hall.
- **Computing:** This term we will learn about Internet Safety and Computing Systems and Networks, as well as coding using Scratch.
- **RE:** Pupils will consider the questions; 'What do Christians learn from the Creation story', and 'What do Hindus believe God is like?'
- **Lifskills:** This term we will think about how to 'Keep Healthy' when using medicine; how to 'Keep Safe' by not leaning out of windows; and our 'Relationship' unit focuses on 'Touch'.
- **French:** We are excited to introduce French to Year 3. We will begin with Phonetics before moving onto Animals.

### **PE Day**

Physical activity is a vital part of our students' development. PE day for Year 3 will be on **Mondays and Fridays**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days, ready to participate in a variety of sports activities.

### **Home learning**

This year we are focusing on reading as our required priority homework. Therefore, we request that all children read their school reading book every night for about 10-15 minutes and get their reading records signed by a parent/carer/older sibling. Further information on this will be shared at our open afternoon on phonics and reading. We will be sending home log-ins for Times Tables Rock Stars and Maths Whizz for children from Y2-Y6 to continue their maths learning at home. Please note that the spellings and maths home learning will help your child consolidate their in-school learning, however, it is not mandatory.

### **Healthy Snacks and Hydration**

We strongly encourage children to bring healthy snacks for break time that will keep them energised and focused throughout the school day. In addition, it is important that children bring a water bottle to school each day. We kindly request that only water is provided in these bottles. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out, or get in contact with the school office.

Kind regards,

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Year 3 Teachers