

Autumn 2017

Welcome back!

We hope you had a wonderful summer holiday and are ready for a great start to the new academic year in class 3.

We have an exciting term ahead with lots of interesting topics and activities.

We have included information on these for you to look at on the website.

Feel free to ask any questions along the way.



Reading will be slightly different this year. As a school we will be using the Accelerated Reader programme (more information on this to follow at our class meeting). Instead of being given a book footprint, your child will be reading books from within their individual range (ZPD -zone of proximal development!). The children will have a daily reading slot in class where they will have time to read, change their own books and complete book quizzes when they finish a book. We will continue to use the yellow home/school books to record their reading books. We cannot emphasise enough how important it is for the children to continue to read at home to help develop their fluency, understanding of the books they read, and, most importantly, share and nurture their love of reading with their family. The children will need to continue to bring their yellow book and reading book to school every day.

Homework will usually be set on a Wednesday and needs to be returned to school the following Monday. As ever, any additional support you can provide for your child, particularly with times tables and spelling, is always valuable. An explanation letter of homework activities has been stuck inside your child's homework book.

We will be teaching PE this year on Thursdays and Fridays and it is vital that all children have a full PE kit with them on these days. This includes a white t-shirt, navy shorts or joggers, and a pair of outdoor trainers - a navy sweatshirt or jumper would be handy too. High5 (netball) will be our autumn focus and we will also be enjoying Forest School after half term when 'outdoor' clothing and wellies will be required.



With our ever-changing weather patterns, please ensure your child brings a coat to school every day. We also encourage children to bring in a fresh water bottle, on a daily basis, to keep in the classroom.

The teaching team in class 3 is as follows:

Mrs Jo Woods will be teaching Monday to Wednesday lunchtime. Mrs Anne Smart will teach from Wednesday afternoon through to Friday. Mrs Clarke and Mrs Ryder will be involved in the teaching of foundation subjects on a weekly basis too. We will be supported by Mrs Holly Mercer on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, with Mrs Hayley Redmayne, Lisa Dix and Mrs Sue Trott working alongside us on occasions.

We hope everyone enjoys the beginning of the new term and thank you for your continued support.

Jo Woods and Anne Smart