



**November 2024**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. We hope that you have had a restful half-term break.

### **The Year 3 team**

3O – Jamie Breuer (Year Team Leader)

3R – Rose Jones and Jenny Leung

3P – Grace Ludlow

3B - Martin Heidensohn

Ta Woranuch will be working between the orange and blue class in the mornings supporting in maths lessons. Emma Rose will be working between red and purple class in the mornings supporting in maths lessons. In the afternoons, Ta and Emma along with Davorka Andjelic will be running intervention groups. Morgan Agbo will be providing 1:1 support in Class 3O.

### **Curriculum**

#### **Weekly overviews**

We have started our first units of work for both maths and English. Please do look at the **weekly overviews** which are uploaded onto ParentHub. These give you a brief outline of what we are covering in the different subjects each week so you can talk to your children about what they are learning at school and offer support where necessary.

#### **Topics**

Our history topic is **Cradles of Civilisation**. In this unit, children will learn about the civilisation of Ancient Sumer. We will look at the development of writing, trade and culture. Children will use their knowledge of Sumer to contrast their civilisation with that of Shang, Indus and Egypt.

Our geography topic is **Mountains**. In this unit, we will learn what a mountain is, about different mountain ranges, who lives on mountains, and then focus on the Andes mountain range.

'**Rocks**' will be our science topic. We will compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties; describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock; and recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

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Sarah Crawford will be teaching Year 3 **Art** on a fortnightly basis.

## PE

Mario Vitrano will be teaching each class **PE** once a fortnight. Other PE lessons will be taught by the class teachers. Please send your children to school dressed in suitable clothes on their PE days. These are as below:

|           | Week 1               | Week 2               |
|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>3O</b> | Monday and Wednesday | Thursday and Friday  |
| <b>3R</b> | Thursday and Friday  | Tuesday and Thursday |
| <b>3P</b> | Tuesday and Friday   | Monday and Tuesday   |
| <b>3B</b> | Monday and Wednesday | Thursday and Friday  |

## Reading

All children will take part in whole class reading lessons where the focus is on inference, understanding and using new vocabulary and using key features of information texts to find information.

All children will either read in a small group or 1:1 with an adult at least once a fortnight.

Those children that are still working towards the expected level will read with an adult at school once a week and receive a new reading book chosen by the teacher. Those children that are reading at or above the expected level will choose a new reading book every 2 weeks.

Children will be visiting the library with their class once a fortnight. They can also choose to go to the library at set times during lunch or break twice a week. They will be able to choose two books at each visit as long as they have brought back their old ones. One of these books will be a free choice so they may sometimes be books that you will need to read to them.

**All children need to have their reading books with them at school every day**, banded or a free choice book. There are independent reading times during the week where the children will need these either to read or use in sessions, or if they are reading to us. They also may like to bring in a book of their choosing from home.

We really want to stress the importance of **reading regularly with your child at home**, particularly for those on banded books. To make progress, children need to be reading on a daily basis as much as possible.

## Healthy snacks & water bottles

We encourage children in the juniors to bring in a healthy snack to eat at the morning break. This can only be a piece of fruit, some chopped fruit or vegetables - NOT sugary cereal bars, crisps or biscuits. The children all need a named water bottle that they can access during the day. They can refill this at school but it will need to be cleaned at home. We ask that children only have plain water in their water bottles, not sugary flavoured water or juice.

## Medical conditions & food allergies/intolerances

It is vital that we have accurate information about any medical conditions or food allergies/intolerances your child may have. Please report any changes to the school office.

**Arriving at and leaving school**

Registers are taken at 8:55am, therefore your child must be in the classroom ready for registration. If your child arrives after this time, they need to register in the office. Please ensure your child arrives on time; lateness is very unsettling for your child and the other children in the class.

The school gates will be locked at 9.00am; therefore, after drop off please make sure you leave the school grounds.

**Trips**

We are in the process of booking some trips for the coming year. We will let you know as soon as these have been arranged.

**Dates for your diaries**

**Visit the Year 3 Classrooms** – 28<sup>th</sup> November (8:50am – 9:05am)

**School play performances** – 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Carol Concert** – 16<sup>th</sup> December

Yours sincerely,

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