



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to be teaching Year 3 this year! The children have settled in well and have adapted to the new routines in KS2. We are covering lots of exciting topics this term, and I am looking forward to seeing the amazing work each pupil produces. We will be exploring the curriculum in a variety of ways and making it fun and enjoyable for the children. I look forward to teaching the class and working with you for a successful Year 3. Ms Cahill

English: We will be focusing on fiction, non-fiction and poetry. This term we will complete a range of activities around the following texts:

The Promise - Nicola Davies

This Moose Belongs to Me - Oliver Jeffries

Stone Age Boy - Satoshi Kitamura

Stig of the Dump - Clive King

We will continue with phonics, grammar and guided reading sessions weekly, following the objectives for the Year 3 Curriculum.

Maths: We will be following the Year 3 Maths Curriculum, using the White Rose scheme of work. We will begin with number and place value. We will then move on to addition and subtraction and multiplication and division. Children should be secure in their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and will be working on 3, 4 and 8s in Year 3. There will be a times tables test and mental maths test every Friday.

Religious Education: We are covering a variety of topics this term, starting with the "Domestic Church-Family" and then "Signs and Symbols in Baptism" and finally "Advent; preparing to celebrate Christmas". We will discuss and reflect on the coming Sundays Gospel through the Word on Wednesday. The other faith we will learn about is Judaism.

Science: In Autumn 1 our science focus is 'Forces and Magnets'. In Autumn 2 our science focus is Light. Children will learn about these areas of science using investigations, fair tests and answering big questions.

Geography: In Autumn 1, we will be exploring Our World, thinking about the big question *Where on Earth are we?* Children will identify the continents and oceans and learn about different geographical features around the world.

History: In Autumn 2 we will be learning about the Stone Ages. The children will have the opportunity to learn about the prehistoric man and how he developed during the age. We will learn about this topic using a range of sources and explore art through it too.

Spanish: We will be learning numbers 1-20, exploring the colours and using everyday commands. We will also be exploring Spanish speaking countries around the world.

Art & Design: Children will have the opportunity to explore a range of mediums through art and create work inspired by a range of artists. Art will also be linked to other areas of the curriculum.

Home Reading: Regular reading is essential for the children. To start, children will continue to have a reading record which should be returned each Friday. They will have the opportunity to choose books from the library to take home/keep in their tray. Please sign your child's reading record and specify if they have read to you or independently.

Weekly Timetable

Monday

Home learning due back.
New spellings brought home

Tuesday

Music with Ms Dyer
Reading books are changed.

Wednesday

Word on Wednesday - please see the Class Dojo and take time to read this with your child.

Thursday

New home learning is set

Friday

Spellings returned.
Weekly spelling, times table and mental maths tests
PE (Children to wear their kits to school)

Reading records need to be brought to school every day.