

WELCOME LETTER YEAR 3

September 2023

We hope you have had a lovely time over the summer and we are sure that you are now ready to start the new school year, so welcome to Year 3! We are absolutely thrilled to be your new class teachers and are looking forward to getting to know you better and working together so that we have a very exciting and productive year. I am sure that you will enjoy the new challenges that Year 3 has to offer!

Parents/carers, if you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to speak to us at the end of the school day. If you need to speak to us at another time, please notify the office to arrange an appointment at a mutually convenient time. We know that if we work together, we can make this a fantastic academic year!

Class Information for children:

Reading: You will take home an accelerated reading book based on your reading age. Please complete the weekly reading log in your planner and we encourage you to read at least **three** times each week – please could you ask your grown up to sign your planner to let us know you have done this. It is essential that your planner is in school every day as it is a very useful resource.

Times Tables: It is vital that you learn your times tables. We will help you with this in class but it is also your responsibility to then practise at home. In Y4 there will be an important multiplication test at the end of the academic year, so best to start learning them now in Y3!

Spellings: You will be taught spellings each week and these will be stuck into your planner so you can practise and show your grown up. There won't be a weekly spelling test.

Homework : We will set a weekly homework activity each Friday to be completed in your homework books. This will either consolidate work being covered in class or involve practising a key skill. We will use Google classroom to send out reminders and links to anything you might need. We will also add a link which takes you to the Outwood Primary Learning Library Website. Here you will find the knowledge organiser / quiz for the topics you will be learning so you can take a look at home and share it with your grown up. They will love to know what you are learning about.

[//sites.google.com/outwood.com/primary-learning-library/home](https://sites.google.com/outwood.com/primary-learning-library/home)

Additional homework resources:

In your planner, you will find a login for Google classroom, Times Table Rock Stars and Accelerated Reader.

Extra information for parents / carers:

PE : Your child's PE lessons will take place on **Monday and Wednesday**. However, it is best to have their PE kits in school all week; your child should bring them in on Monday and take them home on Friday. PE kit consists of: black shorts, black PE socks and **purple / white** t-shirt. Trainers/pumps and a plain warm top are required for outdoor PE.

Inhalers: If your child requires an inhaler please ensure that this is still in date and handed in to the school office. Please let us know if there is any other medical information that you would like us to know about.

Glasses: If your child wears glasses, please encourage them to bring them each day and we will encourage them to take them home at the end of the day.

Water Bottles: Please provide your child with a water bottle to ensure they stay hydrated throughout the day.

Snacks: We are more than happy for your child to bring a snack for break times but please ensure this is a healthy one eg fruit / healthy snack bar. These must be placed in your child's bag / book bag and **not** in their lunch box as there is no access to the lunch box trolley until lunchtime.

Planners: when the children receive their planner please sign the relevant pages (pages 6, 10 & 11) and encourage your child to bring it into school each day as it will be used in lessons on a daily basis.

We will be holding a short welcome meeting for parents on Tuesday 26th September at 3.15pm in the Y3 classroom. This is an opportunity for us to share what we will be covering in Y3 and answer any questions you may have. Your children will be able to wait in the ICT suite during this time.

Thank you very much for your support - we are very much looking forward to working together with you this year and sharing your child's progress with you.

Year 3 Team

Mrs K.Foster (class teacher Mon-Weds)

Ms L. Leonard (Vice Principal / class teacher Thurs / Fri)

Mrs Brook (Teaching assistant mornings)

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