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#### **Year 3 Newsletter**

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

I am delighted to welcome all children back to school after our summer holiday. The children all look smart and have been demonstrating fantastic manners and respect for each other already. They have all settled well into their new classes and have even had their first visitor this week.

As you are aware, all newsletters will be sent via email in a bid to reduce our carbon footprint, they will also be available on the school website. Paper copies are available on request by emailing <a href="mailto:schooloffice@stgeorges.wirral.sch.uk">schooloffice@stgeorges.wirral.sch.uk</a>. As we often communicate through email it is essential that the school office has your up to date email address.

Welcome to Year 3 – here are our Year 3 teachers and TAs

3A	Miss Gough-Hughes
3B	Miss Neal
3C	Mrs Johnson and Miss Lewis
3D	Mr Thomas
3E	Mrs Drogomirecki and Miss Bennett
TAs	Mrs Bevan, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Walters, Mrs Pugh, Miss Catton

Our weekly PE/homework timetable

Day	Event	PE
Monday		
Tuesday		3E and 3A
Wednesday	Homework to be completed on Seesaw .	3D
Thursday		3B and 3C
Friday	Homework set on Seesaw	

### PΕ

Each class will have PE on a specific day — please see the table above. Children should come in on their PE day wearing PE kits. Please ensure that children wear the correct PE kit which is black/navy shorts/leggings/tracksuit bottoms, white t-shirt, pumps or trainers and a black/navy long sleeved jumper or hoodie. Can we also ask that long hair is tied back please.

#### **Drinks and Snacks**

Children should bring a water bottle in every day. This will be accessible to them throughout the day. Snacks should be brought in daily and these should be a piece of fruit or vegetable. Nothing containing nuts or nut products please.

# **Autumn Learning**

We are starting the year by exploring the book 'Dangerous'. We will be looking at character descriptions to help support and inspire our reading and writing. In history lessons, we will be learning about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. Through science, we will investigate rocks and soils, learning and practising skills such as classification, looking at data and formulating questions that can be answered in different ways.

#### **Homework**

Reading books can be changed daily in year 3 and we expect children to read at home at least 4 times a week. This reading should be recorded in their yellow reading diaries. We recommend that reading becomes part of your child's routine and they aim to read for 10 minutes every day. We will be setting weekly practice on TT Rockstars and Spelling Shed. Also, your children will be able to access our 'Limitless Learning' on Seesaw later in the year.

### **Seesaw**

All children have a Seesaw password. Homework activities will be posted on Seesaw every Friday. The children will be given weekly spellings. They will practise writing these and complete activities given in an exercise book that will stay at home. We suggest that you post a picture of your child's work on Seesaw for the teacher to feedback on or return the book at the end of each half term. Please remember to check Seesaw regularly.

# Reading

Over the summer, we have had many donations of books from our Amazon wish list. These books will be used to enhance our curriculum over the next academic year. We would like to say a big thank you for donations so far. You can still purchase a book for school from the wish list here:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2053L1BNT08X7?ref =wl share

## **RESPECT and Behaviour**

During this half term, the children will be learning about the word **RESILIENCE** and what this means to them. Each week the teachers will nominate children that they have noticed being resilient. These children will be known as our 'Learning Heroes' and they will receive a special certificate. During the first week back at school the children created class charters in which they discuss their own roles and responsibilities with regards to their behaviour and conduct in school. It has been a very positive way to start the school year with the children keen to follow their charters and stay in the positive behaviour zones. The children will continue to be rewarded for outstanding behaviour with Blue and Gold stickers!

The teachers and I are very much looking forward to getting to know you and your children as the year progresses. We will be updating the school website regularly so please remember to look on the year 3 pages for further information. If you have any questions or concerns, then please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance. I aim to be available at the school gate each morning but if you do need to contact me at all please do so through the school office. <a href="schooloffice@stgeorges.wirral.sch.uk">schooloffice@stgeorges.wirral.sch.uk</a>

Yours sincerely,

Mrs M Chambers

(Year 3 and 4 Assistant Headteacher)