



Welcome to Year 3!



We hope you've all had a restful summer and are looking forward to the year ahead. This year we look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure your child has a happy and successful time in Year 3. You are welcome to see us each morning at the classroom door. Please note, Seesaw messages are not checked during the school day, so urgent messages (E.G alternative pick-up/ sickness etc) must continue to go via the office.

Please find an update below alongside some information regarding this half term's curriculum and how you can best support your child in Year 3.

Topics this half term:

- History – The Stone Age.
- Science – Rocks and soils.
- Art – Watercolour florals.
- Music – Ballads.
- Maths – Place Value.
- English – How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth
- Computing – Coding.

PE

- Mrs Capstick's class have P.E every Friday with the class teacher, and every Wednesday with Mr Duncalf.
- Miss Johnstone's class will have swimming on Wednesday afternoons (from week 2) and should come to school in their P.E kits for this.

Please ensure your child has the correct kit and is able to take out their own earrings.

Planners

Your child's safety is of the upmost importance. Please ensure your child knows who to expect for pick-up each afternoon after school. If someone different is collecting your child, please let the office know. This also needs recording and signing on the forms in their planners. Furthermore, please read and sign the permissions and home-school agreement. Thank you so much for your help with this.

Planners will be checked weekly for the previous week's daily reading and rewards given to those children who have read at least 4 times. Please record all reading in planners, not on Seesaw, and include the name of the book and pages read.

Homework

Homework will be sent home as follows:

- **English** – Reading should be done four times per week and noted in your child's planner. They can fill this in themselves, and you can initial next to this entry. If your child has read four or more times in a week, they are given a raffle ticket and entered into a draw to win a book each half term!
- **Spelling** – Every week, on a Monday, you will see 5 spelling words in your child's planner. Please support them with learning these words for a test every Friday.
- **Times Tables Rockstars** - We encourage the children to practise for at least 30 minutes over the week to prepare themselves for the statutory multiplication test at the end of Year 4. They will work towards achieving their white bands initially, which is their 2s, 5s and 10s timetables and related division facts e.g., $2 \times 10 = 20$, $20 \div 10 = 2$.

Bridge Builders

We will send out the new objectives for you to work towards at home throughout the year. Thank you for your support with this.