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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

Welcome back! We are so pleased to have all of the children back in school safe and well. This is just a quick letter to give you some important information about the Autumn term.

Reading books

The children will be bringing their reading books home over the next couple of weeks. In Year 3, each child will read to an adult in school at least once per week.

In KS2, we would like to recommend that children are given the opportunity to read at home for at least 20 minutes each evening. We ask that an adult at home listens to a least one section of each book their child receives. When a school reading book has been finished, and the reading record signed, it will need to be brought in to school where it will be changed at the earliest opportunity. We also ask that the children bring their reading book into school each day, even if they haven't finished reading it, so that we can make the most of any opportunities for independent reading within school time.

Homework

In addition to completing a reading book, the children will receive Maths and English homework each week. This will be set on a **Friday** and must be completed by the following **Friday**. They will also receive a list of spellings to learn for a test that will take place on the following **Thursday**. Any child who fails to hand in their homework will be required to complete it during lunchtime at school. (If you know that it is a struggle getting your child to complete homework at home, please let me know and I will support you in any way I can).

P.E.

P.E. lessons will either take place in the school hall or outside on the playground if appropriate. The children will need a P.E. kit:

indoor – black shorts, plain white t-shirt, socks and black pumps

outdoor – black shorts/jogging bottoms/leggings, plain white t-shirt, jumper/tracksuit top, socks and trainers

Although our P.E. days are Mondays and Tuesdays, this may change during some weeks due to other activities happening around school.

Anybody with long hair will need to make sure it is tied up on those days. Anyone with earrings either needs to take them out at home, take them out in school and put them in their tray or provide their own plasters.

Water bottles

Children can bring to school a drink of plain water for throughout the day. It needs to be in a plastic bottle with their name on it. Please ensure the bottle has a sports cap to avoid spillages.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to come in and see me and I will do my best to help.

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Year 3 Curriculum Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
English	Seal Surfer by Michael Forman	Winter's Child by Angela McAllister
	Fiction: Information Text – Letter writing	Narrative - Fantasy story
Guided Reading – Y5	The Sea Book by Charlotte Milner	Ice Palace by Robert Swindells
Maths	Place Value Addition and Subtraction	Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and Division
Science – Y5	Electricity	States of Matter
Computing	Online Safety	Presenting information
	Touch Typing	Spreadsheets - Excel
History	From Stone Age to Iron Age	
Geography		Local Area Study
Art	Art and design skills : Prehistoric Art	
DT	Structures	
Religious Education	Old Testament - Called by God	Christmas– God with us
PSHCE	How do we treat each other with respect?	What keeps us safe?
Physical Education	Fitness	Dance
	Fundamentals	Gymnastics
Music	Pathway to Ukulele	