

## Welcome to Year 3!

Welcome back to school. I hope you had a lovely summer with friends and family. Myself and Mrs Beck are really looking forward to welcoming you back to a brand-new year in Year 3. If you have any questions, please email me on our class email: [year3@vinetree.org.uk](mailto:year3@vinetree.org.uk)

### This half term we will be learning about...

**Our Learning Challenge** Question this half term has a Geography focus and is:

Why do so many people go to the Mediterranean for their holiday?

Next half term will be a History focus.

In **English** we will be reading the book 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. We will explore some poetry based on robots. We will be learning lots of new and ambitious vocabulary to describe the Iron Man before making our very own! We will write instructions on how we made our own 'Iron Man'.

**Maths** will be based on Number and Place value. We will be looking numbers up to 1,000. We will learn about the value of each digit in a three-digit number by partitioning them in different ways. We will also be writing numbers in digits and words.

As **Scientists** we will be exploring forces. We will observe and compare materials and consider whether they are attracted to magnets. We will also learn about magnets having two poles and predict and investigate whether 2 magnets will attract or repel each other depending on the direction the poles are facing.

# Year 3 Newsletter

Take a look at the Year 3 page of the school website where you can find our carefully curated 'class playlist'!

### Homework

We ask that children read at least 3 times per week at home and that an adult records their reading in their reading record. Children will bring home 2 books each week. One will be a bingo book which they can read at their leisure or have an adult read to them. More information on these can be found at the bottom of this newsletter. The other book will be a Read, Write Inc Book Bag Book/ Oxford Reading Tree (ORT) book matched to their current fluency and phonetic ability.

Mrs Beck will collect reading books in every Monday to check reading records and ask children to change their reading books.

Each week we will have a Spelling lesson where we learn a new spelling rule. Spelling Shed games will be set to match the spelling rule that has been learnt that week.

Children can continue accessing Numbots whilst in Year 3, and we will also be using Times Table Rock Stars.

If you have difficulties accessing the technology for these homework tasks, please let me know and I can provide a paper copy.

Our PE days are on a **Monday** and **Wednesday** each week. Children should come to school dressed in their PE kit.

### PE Kit reminder:

White T Shirt

Black Jogging bottoms or leggings, shorts in the summer.

Suitable trainers.

Black zip up jacket in winter or a red Vine Tree Hoody (available to order from the office).

Children with earrings should remove them or bring plasters/ tape to cover them safely. If children do not have their earrings safely covered or removed, they will be unable to take part in the PE lesson.

### BINGO BOOKS!

Bingo Books are a collection of high-quality literature for you to share and explore with your child. Similar to the game 'bingo', the aim is to get a full house before leaving Year 3! Children will choose a new Bingo Book whenever they finish reading the one they have chosen as some texts are longer than others. We do ask that you treasure these books as they are on loan from our Education Library Service. Please enjoy them and return in a good condition.