



Welcome to Year 3



Year 3 Department



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Tricks & Flicks

Routines



When does school start?

The school gates are opened at 8.45am for the children to enter school, classroom doors open at 8.55am.

What time does school finish?

The school gates are opened at 3.25pm for a 3.30pm finish.

What should my child bring to school?

Please do not bring in a bag. All your children will need is one named water bottle (plastic not glass) and their packed lunch/snack. Pencil cases are not necessary - all equipment is provided by school.

Please ensure you do not send anything in from home (including toys).

Attendance

Having missed some school during the Covid pandemic it is vital children get to school on time and don't take holidays during school term time. This will maximise their full potential.



PE Kits and Daily Mile



On the day that your child's class has PE, they must come into school in their PE kit for the whole day. **Please ensure your child is not wearing earrings, bracelets or necklaces on PE days.**

What day is PE?

PE in Year 3 will take place on a Tuesday (swimming) and Wednesday.

What is the correct PE kit?

PE Kit: PE lessons will be taking place outside or in the hall. The children must wear a white round neck t-shirt with either blue shorts or blue track suit bottoms. They can also bring an unbranded navy tracksuit top/jumper. They should wear trainers. Please, no football kits or gymnastic leotards. Please make sure that your child does not wear earrings on PE days and long hair must be tied back.

What day is the Daily Mile?

The daily mile will take place on a Wednesday and Friday. Please make sure that children wear their school shoes and bring a pair of trainers into school.

Swimming



When is swimming?

Year 3 will be going swimming on a Tuesday morning.

What does my child need to wear?

On Tuesdays, please send your child in their PE kit. They need to bring their swimming kit in a separate bag. This should include:

- A towel
- One-piece swimsuit or tight-fitting shorts/trunks – no bikinis or baggy shorts/shorts with pockets.

Please ensure your child is not wearing earrings, bracelets or necklaces on swimming day.



What are the uniform rules?



Hair

Long hair must be tied up and no large bows/headbands should be worn.

Jewellery

Stud earrings only – no hooped earrings.

No necklaces/bracelets, other than ones worn for religious reasons. Do not wear ANY jewellery on PE days, please.

Shoes

Proper black school shoes should be worn on non-PE/Daily Mile days – no trainers/boots.

PE Kit

PE Kit is a plain white t-shirt, plain navy shorts or jogging bottoms and a plain navy hoodie – children should not wear their school jumper/cardigan for PE.



Homework and Reading Books



When will reading books be sent home?

Your child will be given 2 reading books from their current book band each week. In addition, they will also be able to choose a library book to take home every 2 weeks.

Your child will have a Reading Journal with a homework task to complete each week. Books and Reading Journals will be taken between home and school in a clear plastic reading bag provided by the teacher.

In Year 3, the children should be aiming to read for 10-15 minutes every day.

When will homework be set?



Your child will change their books and be set a homework task on **THURSDAYS**. The homework will need to be completed (in their Reading Journal) and brought back in the following **WEDNESDAY**.

The homework tasks will be selected each week from a task sheet that will be stuck in your child's Reading Journal. They will be short, manageable, hopefully fun tasks which encourage children to reflect on what they have read and to deepen their understanding. **Please discuss the books and tasks with your child and encourage them to complete the tasks to a high standard.**

The tasks will be marked by being given one, two or 3 stars – these will be awarded based on effort and presentation. Children will be able to choose a prize when they get to 20 stars!

READING MATTERS!

HERE'S THE IMPACT OF READING 20 MINUTES PER DAY!

A STUDENT WHO READS



WILL BE EXPOSED TO

1,800,000
WORDS PER YEAR

282,000
WORDS PER YEAR

8,000
WORDS PER YEAR

AND IS MORE LIKELY TO SCORE IN THE



ON STANDARDIZED TESTS!

Source: Hogg, Anderson, and Herman, 1987

They asked her: “How did you persuade your child to read instead of playing with smart devices?!”

She said : “Children don't hear us, they imitate us”



Parents and Teachers want their child to be a fluent reader

1. Accuracy – decoding letters and words
2. Prosody - it flows and has shades of tone and meaning and intonation – the rhythm of reading
3. Comprehension- to understand the text.

This is a useful video which shows you how to support your child reading at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=korfvEOQb14>

Intervention



Throughout the year, your child may attend an intervention group. This is to provide extra input in certain curriculum areas, such as literacy and numeracy.

Intervention is not only to help some children to meet their age related expectations, but also to stretch children working at greater depth.

How can I help my child at home?



Reading **every day** with your child is the best way to help them advance in ALL curriculum areas.

Learning times tables is also massively important, especially as there is a national standardized times table test now being done at the end of Year 4. This helps your child access all areas of the Maths curriculum. Here are links to fun games and useful websites you can use for free.

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/ordering-and-sequencing>



Reward systems in our classes



Each class has a behaviour ladder where children's names are moved up and down, based on effort and attitude to learning. The ladder is re-set at the end of each day, so everyone has a fresh start each day.

We will also be giving out whole class rewards, based on a whole class target. This will result in 'Golden Time' for the class at various points throughout the year.

Class DOJO will be replacing Edmodo



ClassDojo

PARENTS:

New to ClassDojo?

1. Download the ClassDojo app
2. Open app and tap 'Parent' to create a parent account
3. Enter name, email & create a password
4. Tap 'Add child (+)' and use this code:

Already have a Parent Account on ClassDojo?

1. Open the ClassDojo app on your phone
2. Log in as a Parent (if you aren't already). Ensure you're logged in as a Parent, not a Student or Teacher!
3. Tap the 'Kids monster' at the bottom of your screen and then tap 'Add child'
4. Add child using this code:

Well-being



My Happy Mind

We have introduced a program to all year groups at school called My Happy Mind which is designed to develop the mental wellbeing of children. It is all based around helping children to understand how their brain works and to support them in building resilient, balanced and happy minds and developing positive skills and habits .

To further embed this learning and ensure that you are able to engage in these topics with your child, My Happy Mind has developed a set of resources for parents. These resources can be accessed online on your computer, or through an app on your phone.

Please feel free to download the myHappymind parent app.

Year 3 Performance!



As we are now able to sing again, we are delighted to announce that Year 3 children will be putting on a Harvest Performance on Friday October 14th (PM).

Parents will be invited to attend and full details will be sent out in due course.



Thank you for taking the time to read this information.

If you have any questions not answered within these slides, please just speak to your child's class teacher.

We hope you enjoy Year 3!