

Welcome to Year 3

6th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had an enjoyable summer and well earned rest. We would like to take the opportunity to welcome you and tell you a little bit about Year 3.

We will be giving out homework on a Friday. Please can you provide your child with an A4 plastic folder for their homework. Homework will usually consist of My Maths, Spellings, Times Tables and Literacy or topic, related to the work children are doing at the time in class. **Please check your My Maths logins and the attached TimesTable Rockstars Logins.** Alternative homework may be given depending on what is being taught. This may consist of collecting pictures/items, conducting research or undertaking an independent project. Homework will need to be completed by the following Thursday. We will do a times table challenge every Tuesday and Friday. Spellings will be assessed through a dictation on a Thursday and test on a Friday. It is also expected that the children will read daily at home and should be recorded in their reading record, which is to be brought to school daily. Reading records will be regularly checked and you are welcome to add any comments if you wish. We would like an adult to read with their child at least once a week also to ensure they are reading suitable material and reading regularly. Once a book is completed, children are expected to complete a task from the suggested list provided on the back cover of their reading record; this is to be completed in the back of the record.

In the Juniors the children are required to bring in their own pencil case. This should include:

- Pencils
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Glue stick (essential!)
- Colouring pencils
- Ruler (Just 15cm is fine)
- Felt tips (optional)

Year 3 P.E. will take place twice a week, outdoor P.E. on Thursdays and indoor P.E. on Fridays. Children will need their P.E. kit on both days, including trainers (preferable) or plimsolls. Please remember that earrings are not permitted (earrings must be removed and not taped over) during P.E. lessons and that hair must be tied back. It is essential correct kit is brought to school. It is important that your child is able to tie their own tie and shoelaces – please help them learn how to do this if they are unable to.

We have a number of fun and interesting trips in Year 3. You will be informed when a trip is going to take place and we would appreciate if reply slips are handed in as soon as possible. We are very grateful for any help on trips and if you are interested in coming on any of the trips please inform one of the Year 3 teachers. With winter coming up, the children are prone to colds and there's bound to be some sniffing, so we ask if every child could bring in a box of tissues for the class, this would be much appreciated. Fruit is no longer provided in the juniors, so you may wish to send a small, healthy snack or piece of fruit in for your child to eat at break time. We also recommend the children bring in a bottle of water to keep with them in class throughout the day.

We hope this information is useful and look forward to an enjoyable year teaching your children. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to meeting you at the 'Meet the teacher' meeting on the 16th September when we can answer any questions you may have.

Our first trip is to Celtic Harmony on Monday 23rd September – please let us know if you would like to come

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs K Duffy

Mrs E Weston