

Happy New Year to Year 3!



Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and we wish you a very Happy New Year. We are looking forward to another exciting term with the children.

If at any time during the year you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself. The year group email address is year3@lps.hereford.sch.uk

Please check our year group pages on the school website for important information, letters and photographs.

Year 3

Year 3 Team

Mrs Eckley-Gardner – Deputy Headteacher/KS1 Assistant Head

Mrs Goode – KS2 SENCO

3CH – Miss Hawthorn

Supported by Mrs Martin and Miss Milner

PPA cover: Mrs Styles

3NS – Miss Nash and Mrs Styles

Supported by Mrs Cole

PPA cover: Mrs Styles

3B – Mr Barnbrook

Supported by Mr McShane and Mrs Collins

PPA cover: Miss Cunningham

Curriculum and topic this term:

English: We will be learning and completing some exciting pieces of writing following the Grammarsaurus scheme for writing.

Maths: The children will be learning about money, time, multiplication and division and continuing to practice their multiplication table facts.

Science: In the first half-term we will be looking at Rocks and Soils and Light in the second Spring half-term.

Topic: Our topic question for this term is:

Would you rather live in the Stone Age or the Iron Age?

R.E: Our R.E questions for this term are:

Spring 1: What is it like to follow God?

Spring 2: How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim?

P.E: The children will be taking part in activities focusing on agility, balance and dance.

Arts: The children will be creating pieces of art inspired by our topic on the Stone Age, using a range of materials and techniques.

PSHE: The children will be learning about being part of a community and the importance of exercise for our bodies and minds.



Homework

Please encourage your children to read as much as possible at home - recording reading comments in their reading journals regularly (parent comments/signature at least three times a week please).

Children should read their accelerated reading book as much as possible but can also read other books that they enjoy if they wish to do so.

It is also vitally important that you support your children with any spellings or times tables they may need to learn.

Please ask your children if they have any homework and encourage them to complete it – we greatly value your support in this area.

Reading



Children should be bringing their book bag to school every day, which will soon include their reading book and reading journal.

The books will be changed regularly and we will be able to read any comments you have made in their journals.

Please read as often as possible with your children.

Although we do not comment on your child's reading in their journal, please be assured we do listen to your child read at least once a week.

Physical Education (P.E.)

Please help us to keep your children fit and healthy by ensuring that they wear their P.E. uniform on their P.E. days.



Year 3 have P.E. on the following days:

3CH – Wednesday

3B – Monday

3NS – Thursday



Reminders

If your child is **asthmatic** please could you ensure that they have an inhaler, labelled with their name, in school at all times!



As many of you already know, we are a healthy eating school and we would like to remind you that children should be bringing in healthy packed lunches and snacks. Now the children are in Year 3 they are NOT provided with fruit. Please feel free to send in a piece of fruit for your child to eat at break time, if you wish.

It is also very important children have a water bottle in school – we strongly encourage children to drink plenty of water throughout the day. Water helps keep them hydrated but also improves their levels of concentration and learning.



It is important to ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. This includes coats and lunch-bags.

Special Events

The children will be taking part in a Stone Age themed day at school. They will have the opportunity to dress up and take part in a range of fun activities throughout the day. More details to follow.

Thursday 19th March



Dates for your Diary

Dates	Events
Wednesday 21 st January	3B Forest School
Tuesday 27 th January	3NS Forest School
Wednesday 28 th January	3CH Forest School
Half term – Monday 16th– 20th February	
Monday 23 rd February	Children back to school
Thursday 19 th March	Stone Age Day
Friday 20 th March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 25 th March	Parents Evening 3:45 – 5.45pm
Thursday 26 th March	Parents Evening -5 – 7pm
Friday 27 th March	End of term

Yours sincerely

The Year 3 Team