

Uniform, PE kits and water bottles: Please ensure your child is sent to school everyday with a water bottle containing water only. Full P.E. kit must be worn on PE days which are Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform and looks smart in line with our school expectations.

<u>Please ensure that all of your child's clothes and book bag</u> are clearly labelled with their name and class.

Home learning: Home learning will be available on the school website on a Friday afternoon and it will need to be completed by the following Wednesday. It is important that home learning that is completed to the best of your child's ability and handed in on time. We ask that you read with your child, practise their spellings and use Times Table Rock Stars to help them learn their times tables.

**Reading:** Reading books are expected to be in school every day. Please read with your child daily.

Break time: In KS2, the children are required to bring in healthy snacks (fruit, vegetables or a cereal bar) for their morning break as well as a labelled water bottle which holds a maximum of 750ml. Please note that children will no longer have an afternoon break.

**Show and Tell:** A timetable for our Show and Tell sessions has been sent home to enable you to prepare your child.



## A Home Where We Can Be Safe and Begin Our Story Again



Year 3 Autumn Term

Happy, Confident, Responsible, Successful



Welcome to year 3! It's lovely to have you back in school and we look forward to teaching you this year. This is the first year that your child will be part of Key Stage 2 and we are looking forward to taking them on the next part of their school journey. It is important that your child is in school and on time every day to help them achieve their full potential. We look forward to working in partnership with you over the coming year.

## Year 3 team:

Miss Richardson (Oak Class Teacher)

Miss Macaskill (Birch Class Teacher)

Mrs Whiteley (Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Higgins (Phase 2 Leader)

Mrs Hamblett (Phase 2 School-Based Tutor)

Mrs Underhill (Class Teacher)

## Our topic:

The theme for our Autumn Term topic is, 'A home where we can be safe and begin our story again'. This aims to develop the children's understanding of how the Celts, Romans, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings used a range of battle techniques to invade and the impact it had on Britain We will explore the differences in their civilisations and how this made them successful invaders. We do hope that you will encourage your child to research this topic at home as this will support them during their lessons.

English: In English, we will be looking at the text, 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' and we will also focus on some non-fiction texts based upon our topic. We will be writing character descriptions, diary entries and narratives. In addition to this, each child will be given a reading book which will need to be read at home on a regular basis and recorded in their reading record.

Maths: Throughout this term, we are studying the place value of numbers up to 1000 to add and subtract two three-digit numbers, We will also be multiplying numbers by 3, 4 and 8. To support the children to develop their times table knowledge, we will be completing times table tests weekly.

Science: This term, we will be working scientifically to find out about rocks and fossils. We will look at types of rocks, how rocks and fossils are formed and we will be investigating properties of soil. During the lessons we will explore the work of Mary Anning and what she discovered.

History and Geography: Our topic will cover the Celts, Romans, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We will explore and compare their battle techniques to be able to justify who was the best invader. We will also look at how they have influenced modern society.

**PE:** During this term, the children will be exploring and creating their own dance inspired by the Roman Army. During outdoor PE sessions, the children will be developing their competitive skills to play hockey and take part in outdoor and adventurous activities, both individually and as part of a team.

Art: In art, we will be drawing detailed tonal studies, based on the artist John Howe

DT: This term, we will be designing and making resin jewellery.

Music: In music, the children will compose and perform a Roman chant based on 'Row, Row, Row your Boat'.

Computing: The children will use coding to create an interactive quiz to test their knowledge of the invaders and settlers.

**RE:** In RE, we will be looking at giving thanks and celebrations in relation to Christianity and Judaism.

French: As this is the first introduction to languages for many children, we will be learning to use basic greetings. We will also learn vocabulary to describe Ancient Britain.