



Class 3 Spring Term 2019



Dear Parents,

Happy New Year and welcome back to another busy term! Our new topic is 'Transport'. We will be investigating the history and development of different forms of transport. Our science work, looking at forces and magnets, will link with this.

In English, we will be using non-fiction books to find out more about our topic. We will be looking at characters and setting through some of Roald Dahl's stories, as well as performing and writing poetry.

In Maths, we will continue to work towards the Year 3 aims, some of which I have detailed for your information below. Solving problems will continue to be an important part of the children's Maths work.

In RE we will be sharing stories from the Bible such as the stories of Noah and Abraham.

Homework

Homework books will continue to be sent home on a Tuesday. **Please ensure that books are returned on a Monday** so that they can be marked! Children are responsible for placing completed homework in the box, in the classroom.

Mystery Readers

Please get in touch if you have 15 mins spare to share a story with the class. Remember not to tell your child if you think you might like to have a go! Grandparents are also welcome! You can bring your own story, or one can be provided if you prefer.

Reading

Each week, your child will read either individually or in whole class reading. Please encourage your child to read to you daily. **As a minimum, we ask that you sign your child's reading diary at least 3 times a week.**

Children will be responsible for changing their own book and will have the opportunity to do so at the start of the school day or during reading time.

Maths

Every other week, your child will bring home Maths homework.

In addition, the following Year 3 aims are ongoing and are best practised regularly:

- *Count in 4's or 8's
- *Count in steps of 50 or 100
- *Say the number 10 more or less
- *Say the number 100 more or less
- *Learn the 3, 4 and 8 times tables (Learn x2, x5, x10 first)
- *Practise telling the time on an analogue clock.

Spellings

We will continue to use the Read, Write, Inc programme for spelling this term. Words to learn for the weekly spelling test will be stuck into your child's log book, which they will bring home on a Monday.

The test will be on the following Monday and log books should also be returned to school then.

Water Bottles / Coats / PE Kit

Children are encouraged to bring a named water bottle to school. Water only please!

Please ensure that your child has a coat in school each day.

Your child needs to have their PE kit in school **all week**. Please ensure that your child has an appropriate kit, which is clearly named. Girls who wear tights need to remember spare socks, please.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns about your child or our activities this term.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Mintoft / Mrs Loft