



# Information to Parents' Booklet Year 3 2016-2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Y3 and the beginning of KS2! This booklet is intended to give you as parents and carers an overview of the year 3 teaching programme, timetable and routines. Please read it carefully as it contains information that your child *may* not remember initially! We will be continuing to work on a topic based approach to all lessons, encouraging increased engagement and purpose within the children's learning.

## Reading

This is the most important way in which you can help your child develop academically. Please try to listen to your child read **every day** for 10 minutes. This should be followed by a discussion of the text. Please then update your child's reading record book each time you hear them read including books they choose from home or the local library. You can record aspects they found difficult or if they particularly enjoyed it. Further, please ensure your child's reading book and record are in school **every day** so we can hear your child read as often as possible.



## Assessment

Each term the children's progress is assessed and will be communicated at parents' evenings and via the end of year report. If you feel you need more information please contact your child's teacher who will be happy to speak to you about your child's progress.

## Dress Code

A reminder that only a watch and stud earrings may be worn for school— this is for the safety of all children. We also ask that all children come to school wearing school shoes. Please ensure that all of your child's uniform, including their coat, is clearly named.

## PE

Swimming lessons begin for children entering Y3. 3LH will begin swimming in September with 3MW doing outdoor PE instead. They will then swap over during the year. Further information on this will follow shortly.

Your child will be having PE each week:

3 MW Monday - Indoor PE on a Monday and swimming/outdoor PE  
a Wednesday

3 LH Thursday - Indoor PE and swimming/outdoor PE on a Wednesday



We do ask that your child has a **named** PE kit (both indoor & outdoor) in school **every** day as occasionally the PE slots need to be moved around. Earrings have to be removed or taped for PE.

### Written homework:

**Thursday** - Homework given out every week.

**Tuesday** - Homework to be returned.

Your child will be given one piece of homework each week. Parents/carers are asked to help their children with their homework each week and to sign it at the bottom. It is anticipated that no written homework should last more than 45 minutes but if your child appears to be struggling, please feel free to come and see us or write a note at the bottom of the homework. At times we may give an additional piece of homework related to the topic work if appropriate.

### Topics for this year:

We plan to cover the following topics this year:

- Autumn term — Geography of the UK /Stone Age
- Spring term— Ancient Egypt
- Summer term — France



Note, however, that we may sometimes change focus due to world events and the interests the children show.

### Parental Involvement!

We are always looking for extra help with reading, so if you have any time available to help in school, your support would be **much** appreciated! We promise to explain any tasks to you beforehand so that you can enjoy your volunteering and be of maximum benefit to the children.

### Trips:

In the week commencing the 19<sup>th</sup> September, children will be visiting 'Grip Adventure' where they will be taking part in outdoor, team-building activities. In the spring term we will be visiting The Manchester Museum. This half term we will be visiting the Mandir too. Others trips will be planned throughout the year and we will give notice in advance of these.

If you wish to discuss anything or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the year 3 staff: Miss Hetherington, Mrs Morris and Mrs Wood.

Thank you in advance for your support,

The Y3 team