

Dear children, parents and carers,

Welcome back! We hope you've had a fantastic summer holiday. We are really looking forward to everything that we've planned for the next year and can't wait to work with you!

This term our topic 'A Seed is Sleepy' will link to our Science topic of Plants and build on the learning they have done in KSI.

### Home Learning

Your child will receive a new Home Learning brochure with tasks linked to our topic for this term. Each week we will also hand out a Maths home learning task. All Home Learning must be handed in on Tuesday to allow time to mark it, ready to send the new tasks home on **Thursday**. **There is no homework this week, to allow children time to settle in.**

Children will be tested on their spellings every Friday and new spellings will be given out the same day for your children to practise at home. Please support them in doing this.

In addition to weekly home learning, we expect all children to:

- Read daily with an adult as much as possible (as children participate in more group reading in KS2, therefore opportunities for individual reading need to be continued at home) Please do make use of the reading record so we can see what your child is reading. Please bring reading records to school daily, especially for those who need banded book changes, as Ms Tromans will do this on Mondays and Thursdays.
- Practise times tables, ready for weekly Cracking Times Tables tests! The Year 3 expectation is for children to know the 3, 4 and 8 times tables by the end of the year, in addition to the 2, 5 and 10 times tables that they should already know. ([www.multiplication.com](http://www.multiplication.com) and 'hit the button' are great websites for this)
- Use Mathletics regularly. The activities link with the year 3 curriculum and provide an opportunity for your child to practise and consolidate skills. I will 'reveal' new topics as we move on during the year. I regularly set tasks to complete. Currently there are tasks set for Place Value. Well done to those children who have used Mathletics over the summer – great to see!

### AK Star Badges

It's fantastic to see so many children who have already received their AK Star badges. The records of children who have not yet received theirs have been handed over from Year 2 so that they can complete any gaps during Year 3.

Children earn their ticks by:

- Using Mathletics
- Spelling
- Reading regularly (as evidenced by reading records)
- Listening well
- Not talking over others
- Being ready to learn
- Independently learning
- Challenging themselves
- Persevering
- Making good learning choices

We look forward to awarding more AK Stars in the near future!

### General Reminders...

For the Autumn term, PE will be on a Tuesday.

It is essential that children have a full, labelled PE kit in school, including a water bottle. If they don't have their kit, they won't be able to take an active part in the lesson.

### Recorders

Children will begin to use their recorders next Monday! Please can you provide your child with their own recorder to avoid the hygiene issues of sharing.

### Forest School sessions:

This term, our Forest School sessions will take place on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September** and **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October**.

Please send your child to school with appropriate waterproof outdoor clothing and footwear for these lessons as we don't have spare kit in school. Children **must not** wear shorts or short-sleeved tops, as their arms and legs need to be protected.

Many thanks for your support.

Miss Redman & Mrs Bond

## Class 3 Topic Overview Term 1

Subject	Year 3
Theme	A Seed is Sleepy
Christian Value	Thankfulness
English	Poetry Non Fiction writing Spelling, punctuation and grammar
Maths	Place value Addition & Subtraction
Science	Plants
ICT	eSafety
History	
Geography	Locational knowledge (Continents, countries and capitals of Europe, Countries making up the British Isles and their capitals)
R.E.	Hinduism - Divali
Art & Design	Colour mixing and observational drawing
Design Technology	
P.E.	Mr Tanner
Music	Recorder lessons
P.H.S.C.E.	Our happy school
French	Greetings Numbers to 12
Wow Events	
Assembly for Parents	
Community Links	
SMSC Social Moral Spiritual and Cultural	Forest School Mindfulness with Ms Tromans