



Dear children, parents and carers,

Welcome back and happy 2024! As a team we would like to say a heartfelt thank you for your Christmas wishes, generosity, cards and gifts. I hope you all had a brilliant Christmas break and enjoyed spending some quality time together. I hope the children feel refreshed after a well-deserved break and ready for an exciting but challenging 2024.

Mr Tanner will continue to teach Class 3 PE on Monday mornings so please ensure your child comes to school in PE kit (navy blue shorts/skortts, joggers and house colour top only please). Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Layers are ideal!

Our values for term 3 and 4 are 'Courage' and 'Forgiveness' and worship time in school will focus on these.

In English we will be focusing on the following texts; *UG*, *Lost Happy Endings*, *Milo Imagines the World* and *King of the Sky*. The children will be building on their English knowledge and skills previously learnt in Year 2. In Maths we will be focusing on Multiplication & Division, Length and Perimeter, Fractions and Money. In History we will focus our study on Bronze Age to Iron Age.

In PHSE our focus will be based on the unit - Looking forward. This unit of work focuses on global citizenship. Pupils explore their learning styles and work collaboratively to set and achieve goals through an enterprise activity.

Home Learning

Homework this year will focus on reading and maths. Homework will continue to go out on a **Wednesday** and will be due in on the **following Tuesday**. There is a tray in class where the children will place their book in so it can be marked. Thank you for supporting your child with this, we know it can sometimes be tricky to maintain enthusiasm for homework, but it does truly support in class learning.

Maths

For Maths home learning, children are expected to complete the task set; this will be related to the work the children have learnt in lessons. The homework will be differentiated and the children can choose the level they wish to complete. Please encourage the children to challenge themselves but to also work as independently as possible. Please encourage your child to engage as much as possible with TTRS. This really does support their quick recall when they have their cracking times table challenge on a Monday. Your child should have a log in, please do let us know if you need a reminder as we can happily re-print them for you.

Reading

Our expectation is that children read each day for at least 10-15 minutes. Children can read independently or to an adult daily. We expect every child to record their daily reading so that we can keep track of their progress. Please support your child by reminding them to complete this task each day - thank you. Please note that reading records are checked daily by an adult to review your child's engagement with reading. We don't always physically record we have checked them but sometimes this could be acknowledged with a stamp or with a comment if necessary. Keep working towards those bookworm badges!

Dates for your diary:

Forest School sessions: **Wednesday 17th January, Tuesday 20th February, Wednesday 13th March.**

Please add these dates to your calendar so your child remembers their kit! ☺

Art days: **Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd February**

Stay and share: **Friday 8th March 2:30pm**

Parent' evening week: **11th March** - details will follow regarding bookings.

Class 3 class assembly: **Tuesday 5th March 2024**

Thank you again for all of your support and here's to a brilliant year!

Miss Skipper, Mrs Hogg, Mrs Thomas and Miss Walmsley.