

# YEAR 3 PARENTS INFORMATION

#### WELCOME TO YEAR 3

This morning we will be discussing key information for you to support your child's learning in Year 3.

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Day	Equipment needed/ what's
	happening
Monday	<ul> <li>Homework diaries checked and signed.</li> <li>Reading Scheme books changed- 3 new books to be read throughout the week</li> </ul>
Tuesday	<ul> <li>Spelling test</li> </ul>
Wednesda y	Spellings given out
Thursday	<ul> <li>Homework due</li> <li>Outdoor Games (Trainers and PE kit)</li> </ul>
Friday	• Homework given out

## **READING AT HOME**

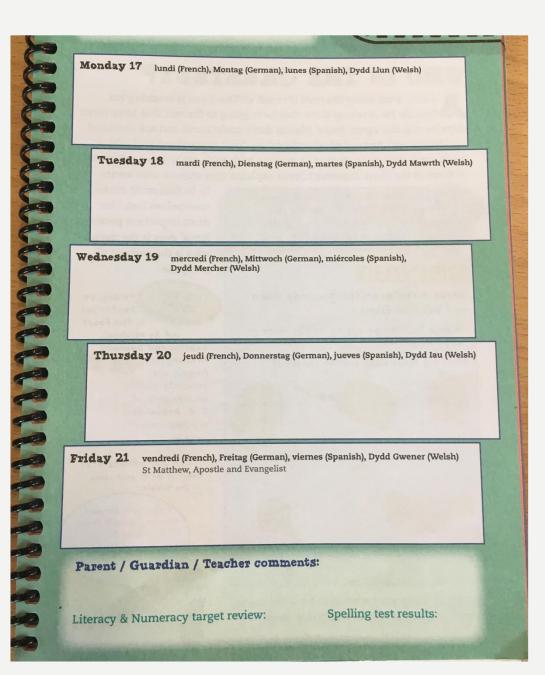
Books are changed for children that are on the reading scheme on a Monday and are expected to be read throughout the week.

Children that are 'Free Readers' are responsible for changing their own book. This is recorded in a reading log in the classroom. Children can change their book when they have finished but this must be recorded in their homework diary.

Each night it is important that an adult is accurately recording all reading in their homework diary. Each comment should be signed by an adult.

*E.g. Laura read from page 12-30 of The Twits.* 





#### HOMEWORK DIARIES

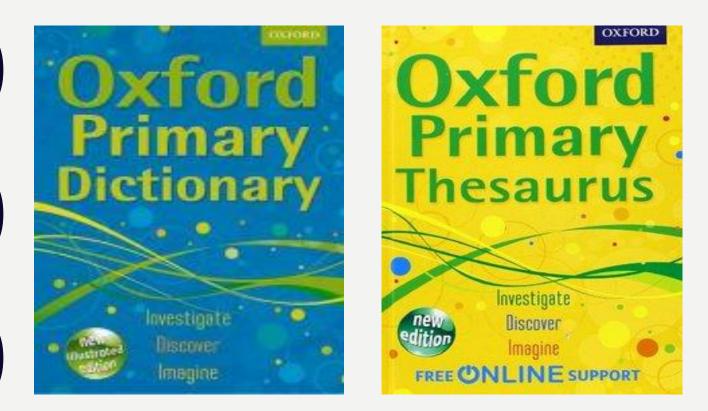
- When we can see that your child is reading every night they will receive various rewards, so it's really important to sign their diary and record the title of the book and the pages they have read each night. If you run out of space, e.g. at the weekend, you could write a comment on a post it note and stick it in.
- The homework diaries are our way of communicating with you and you with us. Please write any messages we need to know in the homework diary so that we can respond to you.
- When there is a note for us, please tell your child to show us.
- Homework diaries are collected in once a week to be checked and signed.
   Please ensure you sign it at the bottom at the end of every week.

#### HOMEWORK

- Your child will be given one piece of homework per week which will alternate between Maths, English or another curriculum subject.
- They will also be given spellings each week. These need to be practised at home and returned to school the following week.
- We also ask your child to read every night and to practise their times tables regularly. They have all got a login for TT Rockstars to support rapid recall of their times tables.

# MUST HAVES FOR YEAR 3

We ask that the children have their own dictionary and thesaurus.



# EQUIPMENT

- Indoor shoes (black plimsolls)
- PE kit in a drawstring bag
- A ruck sack type bag
- A plain pencil case (not a novelty type) containing the following items: pencils, small Pritt Stick, rubbers, a ruler, two ink pens and red or multi-coloured biro
- A set of colouring pencils (not felt tips) would be useful for work done at home
- Trainers for outdoor PE activities
- Highlighters.

### EQUIPMENT LIST

In Year 3 the children have their own pencil cases. It is important that their pencil case is a simple one. Smiggle pencil cases are not allowed in school as they are very distracting for the children.

-Pencil sharpener

-Writing pencils

-Rubber

-Ruler

-Glue stick (no coloured glue sticks)

-Coloured pencils

-Green biro

- Highlighter
- 30cm ruler (not bendy)

# NAMING EQUIPMENT

Please ensure that your child's equipment is named so that it can be quickly returned. Please ensure the following items are named:

- School uniform and PE kit
- Writing and drawing equipment
- ≻Plimsolls.

#### SPELLINGS

- A new spelling scheme was introduced to children in KS2 a couple of years ago. All children will take part in three weekly spelling sessions where they will focus on a particular sound/spelling rule.
- Their weekly spelling test will be based upon this each week.



- Please make sure that you practise these spellings with your child at home. Your child's homework task is to practise writing each of their spellings correctly in a sentence, underlining each spelling word in the front of their book. This supports an understanding of each word and consolidates learning in class.
- Any additional practise can be completed in a separate notebook at home.
- Weekly spelling tests will be completed in the back of their book. The children will also be given a dictation sentence with an unknown word based on the spelling focus for that week. They will get one mark for the correct spelling of the spelling word/s and one mark for the correct spelling in the rest of the sentence.
- Your child will receive their spelling result on Wednesday when they get their new weekly spellings.

#### PEN

- Once your child receives a pen licence certificate they will be able to write using a blue pen.
- This depends on the child's readiness which will be assessed by your child's teacher. It is important that they are joining neatly and consistently using a joined cursive handwriting style in all work across the curriculum.
- Your child only needs a blue pen once they have received their pen licence. This can be a biro or any other blue pen.





#### Eg Biro, Pilot frixion, fountain pen etc





#### **GUIDED READING**

Each day there is a 15 minute Guided Reading session before morning play.

This is our only opportunity for us to hear every child read individually once a week.

The teacher goes around all the groups throughout the week and hears all children read. Questions will be asked relating to the text to support different reading skills.A comment will be made in your child's homework diary.

#### REMINDERS

- Children in KS2 no longer receive free meals. All meals need to be booked and paid for via the School Gateway/ Grid.
- Tissues any donations would be greatly appreciated in the Autumn term
- Your child will no longer receive fruit but they are encouraged to bring in a fruit/vegetable snack for play (no cereal bars)
- A reminder that all snacks and lunches must not contain any nuts and all lunches should be healthily balanced.
- Earrings must not be worn/covered up with plasters and long hair must be tied up.

#### WEEKLY UPDATES

Please ensure you read the weekly update as it has important messages and will keep you updated on what is happening in school.

It will provide you with key information about your child's learning in school on a weekly basis and it will also inform you of learning that will be taking place the following week. This will give you and your child an opportunity to discuss and prepare for the following week.

# ATTENDANCE

- It is vital your child attends school every day. No authorised absence can be granted for days away from school unless your child is ill.
- All children are monitored very closely for their attendance and reports are sent to County. If your child is sick you must either email or call the school at the start of the day to report their absence.
- It is also very important that your child arrives at school on time and prepared for the day with all the things they need.
- At the end of the day child become very upset if parents are late to collect them. It is also very difficult for staff as they often have meetings to attend or courses. So please be on time at 3.30pm. If another parent is collecting your child you must inform the school office.

### **SPARES**

 Children are allowed to bring in a spare set of sports clothes (football shirt, warm top, joggers) for use at lunchtime. These can be put in a separate bag and taken home regularly for washing.

# **KEY STAGE 2 ROUTINES**

Almost every week Key Stage 2 will meet for its weekly assembly. This is a chance for us to celebrate achievements, and highlight those children who have conducted themselves in a manner that has enhanced the ethos of the school.



# House Saints





## KEY STAGE 2 ASSEMBLY

- Good disciple award
- House Point totals
- Lining Up points
- Focus on a specific topic: news item, historical or geographical feature
- Collective Worship.

## BEING INDEPENDENT: MORNINGS

- In the mornings children say goodbye to their parents on the Key Stage 2 playground and then they will go to line up with their class.
- Key Stage 2 teachers will be on the playground at 8.45am to meet the children.
- There will be at least one member of staff on duty until 9am when the Willow Walk Gates will be closed.

# **BEING INDEPENDENT: AFTERNOONS**

- At the end of the school day, teachers will ensure children leave their classes safely after lessons finish at 3.30pm.
- Children will return to the care of their parents or guardians from this time.
- Please remind children not ride their bicycles or scooters around the playground.

# **E SAFETY**

- We regularly remind the children about the importance of e safety and we would appreciate your support.
- Make yourself aware of the apps your child is using, the games they are playing and any social media they might be exposed to.
- Be familiar with the laws about age restrictions.

### WE GROW AND LEARN WITH JESUS

During assemblies we frequently refer to our Mission Statement,

We Grow and Learn with Jesus,

and we identify ways children have lived by this ethos over course of their week.

#### Please take a copy of the hand-outs to put in your red St. Anthony's file at home.