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## Welcome to Year 3 - September 2023

We hope you had a lovely summer break. The children have settled back in beautifully and had a great, first few days. We are all really looking forward to the year ahead and wanted to share some key information with you.

We have some very exciting topics this term. We will be learning all about Light in science; we will be creating our own paper puppets linked to our class text and will investigate shadows with these. In history, we will explore Invaders and Settlers including Romans, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We will be looking at; What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today? in R.E and Online Safety in Computing.

### HOMEWORK

Homework will consist of reading, spelling and times tables each week. We may set optional additional tasks linked to particular topics throughout the year.

FRIDAY - Spellings will be sent home to practice on a Friday and tested the following Friday.

We expect the children to complete 15 minutes on Times Table Rockstars at least once a week to support this key area of maths. For logins and passwords, please refer to the yellow Reading Record book.

### READING BOOKS

Please continue to support your children with their reading books every evening and record your comments. Books should be signed and dated and brought into school **everyday**. You are able to see how your child has done on Accelerated Reader quizzes and to track their progress for their points targets using the following link using the log in details the children use at school. There is also a link to key reading information on our website including explanations on how Accelerated Reader works and reading recommendations for Year 3.

[Accelerated Reader log in](#)

[Accelerated Reader information](#)

[Reading recommendations](#)

### SHOW & TELL

We no longer have show and tell from year 3. However, if your child has been really successful in an activity outside of school, (e.g., swimming badge, football medal), then they are welcome to share these with the whole school in Friday's celebration assembly.

## **PE DAYS**

Tuesday & Friday - Outdoor games

Long hair should be tied back and earrings removed at home before school on PE days. Your child needs a Warden House team T-Shirt, navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms, and trainers.

## **FRUIT & WATER**

In KS2, fruit is no longer provided at breaktimes like in KS1. Children are able to bring in a piece of fruit which they can eat at break time.

Likewise, if you would like your child to have milk at breaktimes, please visit the Cool Milk website where you are able to sign up and pay directly to them. If your child receives Free School Meals, milk will still be provided if they would like it.

Please provide a named **WATER BOTTLE** with a sports cap for your child. Children are only allowed to bring **WATER** in their bottles.

It is really important for your child that we work as a team so if you have any queries or concerns, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher by contacting the office or write a note and we will contact you. We look forward to working with you for the following year and wish your child every success in our class.

Thank you for your support.

**Mrs R Bishop & Mrs Grant**  
**Starfish Class Teachers**