



St. Anne's C.E. (VC) Primary School

"Together with God, Making Learning a Life Long Friend"

We aspire to be guided in all that we do by our inclusive Christian ethos. We are enthusiastic about life-long learning and share wisdom in serving each other and our world. We encourage all to live lives of hope and aspiration, inspired through acquiring new skills and attributes. Dignity and respect are at the heart of our school.

10th September, 2023

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE PERSON WITH PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

RE : YEAR 3 AUTUMN TERM 2023 NEWSLETTER

Firstly, a huge welcome to Year 3 and to what I am sure is going to be an extremely enjoyable and fulfilling year for everyone.

This term our topic is Ancient Egypt. We will be exploring how the different members of Egyptian society would live and what it would have been like to be a child back in 1500BC. We will be exploring the Egyptian Gods as well as linking this to our work in RE around the creation story where we will discuss any similarities and differences.

READING BOOKS

It is super important that you read with your child every night and the children must bring their reading book and diary into school every day. Reading helps children's imaginations to grow and this will then help them with their creativity in English. Reading also helps the children to improve their spelling skills. Myself or Mrs. Eardley will aim to read with the children every week and as a class we will also be sharing our class text which this term is Secrets of a Sun King to link to our Ancient Egypt topic. This term we are beginning to introduce a new reading scheme called Accelerated Reader. Miss Turner will be sending out more information on this shortly.

ENGLISH

In English this term we will be using 4 different texts that will allow the children to explore different writing styles and structures. These will be linked to our main topic as well as our science topic of Rocks and harvest festival.

MATHS

Our journey into Year 3 maths will begin with embedding our prior knowledge of place value as well as developing our skills further, which will allow the children to become confident and

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secure on the value of each digit in a given number. We will be showing how we can represent these numbers using different methods. We will then move onto the four main operations beginning with addition.

HOMEWORK

I will be sending homework out every Thursday, which will include spellings, maths and either a piece of English, science or a topic based piece. These pieces will help to reinforce what we have been doing in class that week and should typically take a couple of hours each week. It is imperative that homework is returned to school no later than Tuesday of the coming week.

Spelling, punctuation and grammar are a really important part of key stage two so making good firm foundations with these in year 3 is something that we will be focusing on throughout our English lessons as well as using a weekly spelling test (on a Friday) and Read Write Inc. to support these skills. On occasions homework may be set through Mathletics and Purple Mash.

I will be available via Dojo to support where I can between the hours of 8.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. Monday - Friday and of course in person after school too if you have any questions.

PE

Our main PE day is a Tuesday so all children need to come to school in their kits - children should wear black shorts or leggings, a white t-shirt and plain red hoodie with trainers. We are lucky to be given an additional PE session on a Friday which will be a forest school session. Mrs. Bailey will send out more information on this. Jewellery must not be worn on either of these days. A polite reminder that if your child does wear earrings for school these must be a small plain stud.

The children will continue to earn themselves Dojo points throughout the day for our usual school and class expectations and we will also be giving out team points for exceptional effort and hard work along with anyone who is recognised for showing any of our core school values.

Finally, I would just like to say that I cannot wait to spend this year getting to know the children and being able to be a part of the next stage in the learning journey.

Yours sincerely,

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