

Welcome to Year 3, we hope that you all had a fantastic October half-term. Here is the Autumn Term newsletter, to let you know about the work that we will be doing in class, important dates and other helpful information. This term the children will be learning about their local environment both in school and outside. We will be covering place value, addition and subtraction in Maths and looking at a variety of texts in English to guide our writing. (Please see curriculum overview for more details).

Important Dates:

Monday 1 st November	INSET day
Wednesday 3 rd November	Zoolab visit (during school day)
Thursday 4 th November	Spooks and Sparkles Disco FS/KS1@4:15-5:30pm, KS2@5:30-7pm
Wednesday 8 th December	Year 3 Christmas Movie Evening @5:00pm
Thursday 9 th December	Years 3 and 4 - Dick Whittington pantomime performance (9:30am)
Friday 10 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 13 th December	Christmas Extravaganza
Tuesday 14 th December	Christmas lunch
Friday 17 th December	Last day of term

We return for the Spring term on **Tuesday 4th January 2022**.

Key Information

- Please ensure that your child is at school on time. The soft start routine will begin from 8.40am, any children who enter school after 8:50am are considered late. Home-time is at 3:30pm. Each year group has designated class and parent zone. Any children not collected at this time will be taken briefly to the area by the office and then sent to play scheme where a charge will be accrued.
- Children are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack that they can eat at morning play. Fruit or vegetables are ideal, as are cheese, crackers or a small sandwich. Please note that we are a nut free school (therefore **no products with nuts** inside are allowed). NO chocolate, crisps or sweets.
- **P.E kit: Children come to school IN their PE kit on PE days**
 - plain white tshirt (with logo if possible)
 - plain navy shorts or leggings or joggers
 - trainers (appropriate for sport) or black plimsolls
 - Danegrove jumper or cardigan or fleece

No earrings during P.E. - you must take them out at home before school or they will be covered with masking tape in school.

PE days = Wed + Fri = 3FR and 3JC

Thurs + Fri = 3SC

- **School Uniform:**

Black school shoes - NO boots, trainers

Hair accessories must be uniform coloured (navy or white)

NO jewellery e.g. bracelets, necklaces (except under religious beliefs e.g. Kara bracelet - Sikhism)

NO leggings only school trousers or skirt and tights

Homework: (in accordance with government legislation)

- Homework will be issued on Fridays and children's responses need to be uploaded to the Seesaw activity by Wednesday. Homework consists of; Literacy (usually linked to our topic), Reading, Spellings/Vocabulary and Maths (this will sometimes be on Mathletics). This will always be linked to the work that is completed in class each week. We shall also ask for the children to continue learning their times tables.
- Daily reading practice of approximately 20 minutes is the year group target. **We strongly recommend that parents regularly spend time listening to their children read at home and allow some discussion time to help them develop their ideas, vocabulary and understanding.** Children can read anything they wish, but a variety of choice is recommended i.e. magazines, story books, poems, encyclopedias, diaries, letters etc. Please encourage your child to discuss their choice of text with you, answering questions, thinking about the text (its main features and content) as well as its meaning.
- The homework letter will be uploaded to Seesaw and the school website. Children will not be given a printed copy unless requested. The web address is <https://www.danegroveschool.co.uk/pupils/year-3-hub>. The internet page also contains copies of our year group newsletter and a curriculum overview for the current term.

What we are learning about this half-term:

English	Maths	Science	Integrated Studies
Storytelling Odes	Mental Subtraction Column Subtraction Reasoning and Bar modelling - addition, subtraction	Rocks and Soils Light	Parks

Many thanks for reading this term's newsletter; we hope to have a fantastic term. Please remember, if you have any concerns or queries, feel free to speak to Miss Rolle, Mr Cowan and Miss Corin.

Yours sincerely,
Year 3 Team